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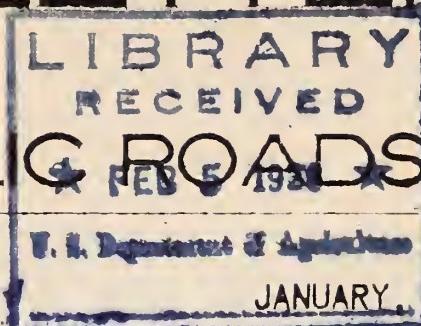
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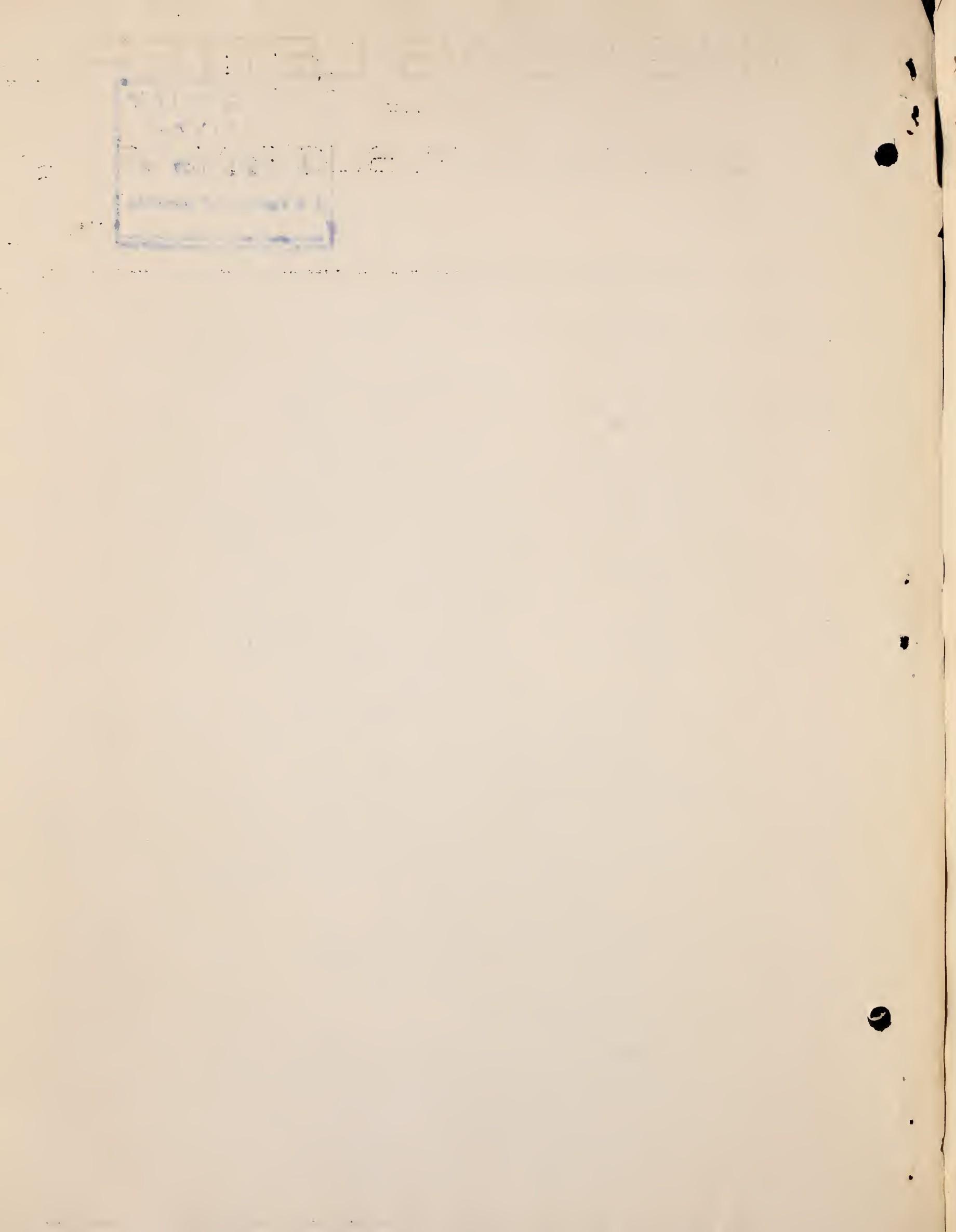
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U.S. HIGHWAYS SIGNS

UNITED STATES HIGHWAYS



HUNTINGTON 10
LEXINGTON, KY 148
CHARLESTON, W. VA. 43
NORFOLK, VA.

DIRECTION AND INFORMATION signs will be lettered in black on a white background. The small shield placed beneath the United States highway marker will indicate the direction of the main road turn. Rectangular signs placed at right angles or parallel to the highway will indicate the distance to points on the interstate system respectively or on the inter-state system respectively. Physical features and speed limits will be shown by rectangles of the same color.

20 MILES SPEED LIMIT

35 MILES SPEED LIMIT

TRENT 4 COLUMBIA RIVER
ELKVILLE 10

SODUS CREEK



Nonhorizontal DANGER and CAUTION signs will be made in four different shapes reflecting as many degrees of danger. These will be the octagon indicating a full stop, the round railroad crossing sign, the diamond shape indicating caution and the square requiring occasional caution. Yellow will be the color for danger and caution signs. The lettering will be black.



EXTRACT FROM THE ADDRESS OF W. M. JARDINE, SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE,
BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
AT CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS, ON JANUARY 21, 1926.

* * * * "AT THE PRESENT TIME LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS ARE CARRYING THE MAJOR PART OF THE BURDEN OF MAINTAINING SCHOOLS AND ROADS, WHICH MANIFESTLY ARE FUNCTIONS THE STATES SHOULD HELP SUPPORT.
* * * * PUBLIC HIGHWAYS NO LONGER MERELY SERVE LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THEY HAVE COME TO BE USED VERY LARGELY FOR TRAFFIC OF WIDER PROPORTIONS. SUCH PUBLIC FUNCTIONS OF STATE-WIDE IMPORTANCE SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY THE STATE AS A UNIT RATHER THAN LARGELY BY INDEPENDENT UNITS AS AT PRESENT. SUCH A REDISTRIBUTION OF THE TAX BURDEN WOULD CARRY WITH IT THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW SOURCES OF REVENUE TO SUPPLEMENT THE GENERAL PROPERTY TAX WHICH NOW BEARS DOWN WITH PARTICULAR FORCE UPON THE FARMER.

"THE WHOLE PRESENT SYSTEM OF TAXATION IS BASED UPON THE CONDITIONS OF FOUR GENERATIONS AGO. THE UNIT OF LEVY FOR SOME PURPOSES IS TOO SMALL. A DISPROPORTIONATE PART OF THE TAXES FOR STATE USE IS STILL DRAWN FROM REAL ESTATE. THE MOVEMENT OF OLD-TIME INDUSTRIES FROM COUNTRY TO CITY HAS NEVER BEEN ALLOWED FOR IN SHAPING THE TAXATION POLICY. IT IS TIME NOW THAT WE HAVE SOME BROADENING OF THE SUPPORT FOR INSTITUTIONS LIKE SCHOOLS AND ROADS THAT SERVE ALL THE PEOPLE. THE CITIES WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE TO ASSUME A SHARE OF THE TAX BURDEN MORE IN KEEPING BOTH WITH RESPECT TO BENEFITS DERIVED AND LIKEWISE ABILITY TO PAY. * * * *

"WE HAVE ENTERED UPON A PERIOD OF REMARKABLE DEVELOPMENT IN OUR HIGHWAY SYSTEM, A DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONED QUITE LARGELY UPON THE GROWING USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES. IT IS IMPORTANT TO THE NATION THAT THIS HIGHWAY DEVELOPMENT BE SO DIRECTED THAT IT BRING GOOD ROADS AS NEAR AS POSSIBLE TO EVERY FARMER AND AT THE SAME TIME COORDINATE EFFECTIVELY WITH OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES. THE PROGRAM OF ROAD BUILDING SHOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH THE NEEDS AND RESOURCES OF THE VARIOUS REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY. IT IS A MATTER OF NATIONAL CONCERN, HOWEVER, AND ONE UPON WHICH THERE SHOULD CLEARLY BE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS."

IN PENNSYLVANIA FOR EXAMPLE-

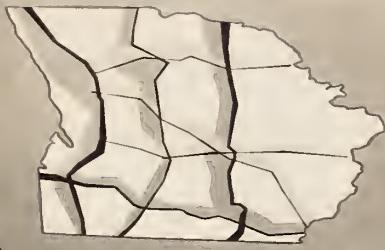
THIS MAP SHOWS
HOW THE TRAFFIC
ON THE STATE
HIGHWAYS IS AF-
FECTED BY THE
CITIES THEY
CONNECT.



The density of traffic is shown by the width of the roads.
The population of the cities is shown by the size of the circles.

FINANCING TRUNK ROADS

AND JUST BETWEEN US STATES-

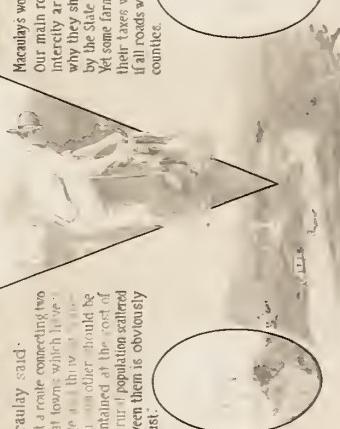


THIS MAP OF
OHIO SHOWS
ONE REASON FOR
FEDERAL A.D.

The whole width of
the roads represents
their total traffic.
The red portion rep-
resents interstate
traffic.

1846 WHERE THE SHOE PINCHES 1926

Macaulay said:
"That a route connecting two
great towns which have
large and busy populations
with an outlet should be
maintained at the cost of
the rest of the population gathered
between them is obviously
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HIGHWAY FINANCE - FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL

EXTRACTS FROM THE ADDRESS OF THE CHIEF OF THE BUREAU TO THE CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN ROAD BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION HELD AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, JANUARY 11-15, 1926.

"THE MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PUBLIC BUSINESS OF THE NATION FALL MOST HEAVILY UPON THE LOCAL, RURAL AND URBAN GOVERNMENTS, NEXT UPON THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND LEAST UPON THE STATE GOVERNMENTS. THE RATIO FIXED BY 1923 EXPENDITURES IS ABOUT 5.1 LOCAL, RURAL AND URBAN; 3.5 FEDERAL, AND 1.5 STATE." * * * * *

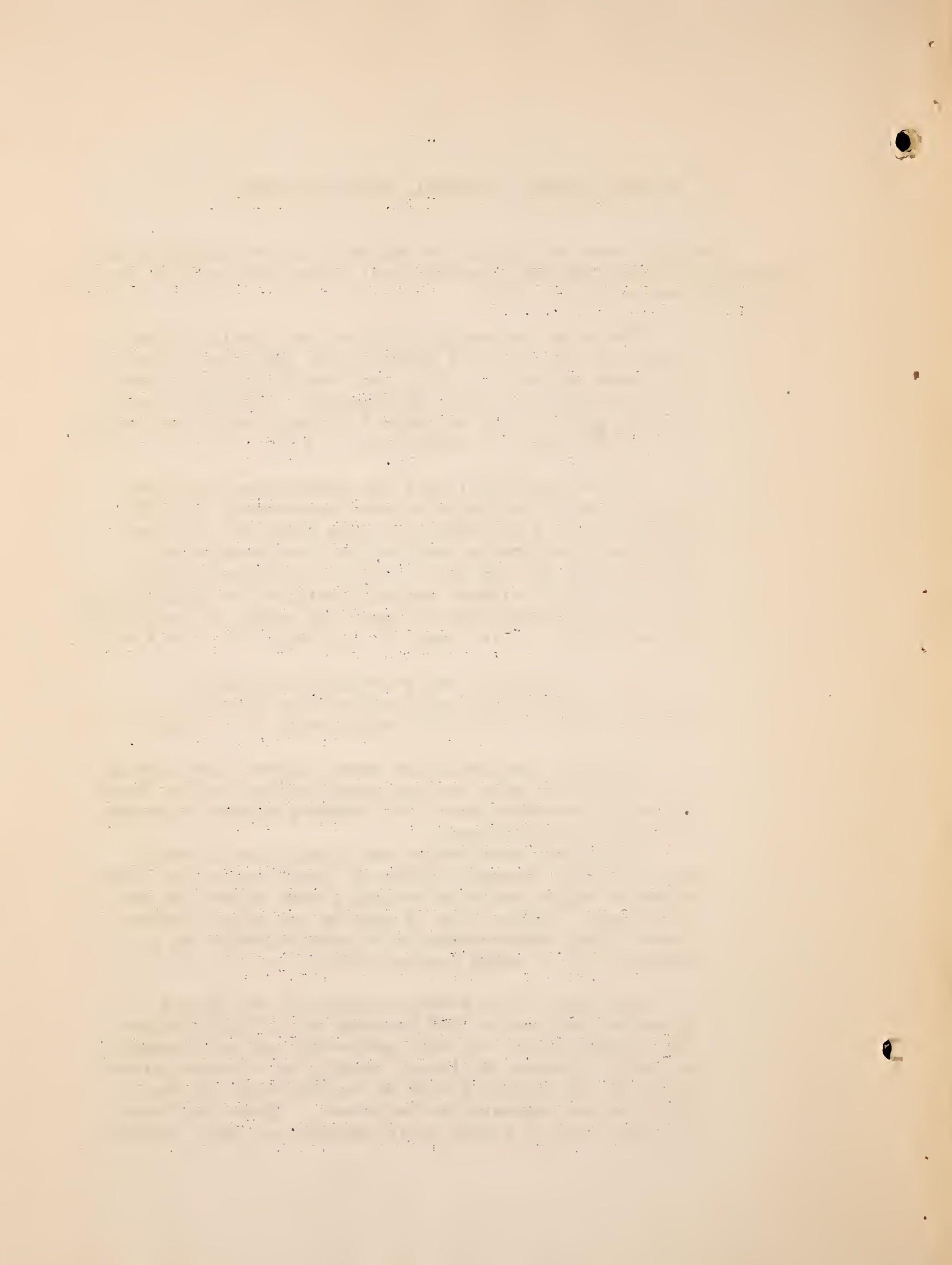
"OF THE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR EXPENDITURE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS IN 1924, 15.9 PER CENT WAS TRANSFERRED FROM COUNTIES, 16.5 PER CENT CAME FROM FEDERAL AID, 40 PER CENT FROM MOTOR VEHICLE FEES AND GAS TAX. THAT IS, 72.4 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL STATE HIGHWAY PROGRAM ESTIMATED AT \$555,000,000 WAS FINANCED OTHER THAN BY USING THE CREDIT OF THE STATES OR THE GENERAL TAXING POWER OF THE STATES." * * * * *

"THE FINANCING OF THE STATE HIGHWAY PROGRAM THROUGH CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE COUNTIES IS WRONG IN PRINCIPLE AND WILL COST THE PUBLIC MORE IN THE END." * * *

"A GREATER PERCENTAGE OF STATE HIGHWAY FUNDS SHOULD BE EXPENDED FOR MORE DURABLE CONSTRUCTION, AND THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS SHOULD BE FINANCED WITHOUT RECOURSE TO COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS.

"THE STATES MUST EXTEND THE SUPERVISION OF THEIR STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS OVER A LARGER MILEAGE OF LOCAL ROADS TO INSURE THEIR MAINTENANCE, THUS PRESERVING THE INVESTMENT. UNLESS THIS IS DONE WE ARE HEADED TOWARD LARGER LOCAL EXPENDITURES FOR HIGHWAY PURPOSES OR A DEPRECIATION OF ROADS ALREADY BUILT." * * * *

"THE TOTAL RURAL HIGHWAY MILEAGE OF THE UNITED STATES AT THE END OF 1924 AMOUNTED TO 3,002,916 MILES. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THESE HIGHWAYS IS DIVIDED BETWEEN THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS OF THE SEVERAL STATES ON THE ONE HAND AND THE COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS ON THE OTHER. THESE TWO TYPES OF CONTROL MAY BE CALLED STATE CONTROL AND LOCAL CONTROL.



"OF THIS TOTAL HIGHWAY MILEAGE 259,721 MILES, OR 8.6 PER CENT, WERE UNDER THE SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS; THE LOCAL CONTROL EXTENDED OVER 2,743,195 MILES, OR 91.4 PER CENT OF THE COUNTRY'S TOTAL HIGHWAY MILEAGE. THE SIGNIFICANT FACT IS THAT SUCH A SMALL PART OF THE TOTAL HIGHWAY MILEAGE IS FOUND TO BE UNDER DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTROL OF STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENTS. THE COUNTIES AND TOWNSHIPS AND LOCAL ROAD DISTRICTS ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF BY FAR THE LARGER PORTION OF ALL THE HIGHWAYS. THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HIGHWAYS UNDER THESE TWO TYPES OF CONTROL SO FAR AS TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ARE CONCERNED IS A WHOLLY DIFFERENT MATTER."* * *

"SECRETARY MELLON IN HIS REPORT, PAGE 21, SAYS: 'WE STILL MAKE, AS A RESULT OF THE WAR, TREMENDOUS EXPENDITURES FOR DEBT RETIREMENTS, INTEREST ON THE DEBT, CARE OF DISABLED VETERANS, ETC., BUT THESE ARE UNAVOIDABLE AND WILL BE NECESSARY FOR MANY YEARS TO COME. IT IS THE INEVITABLE PRICE WHICH WE CONTINUE TO PAY FOR THE WAR. IN THIS CONNECTION IT IS OF INTEREST TO POINT OUT THE PROPORTION OF GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES WHICH ARE DUE TO WAR. WHILE IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO SEGREGATE ENTIRELY ALL EXPENDITURES WHICH MIGHT FALL IN THIS CATEGORY, IF WE ADD TO THE DISBURSEMENTS FOR PUBLIC DEBT RETIREMENTS, INTEREST ON THE DEBT, WAR, NAVY, VETERANS' BUREAU, AND PENSIONS, OTHER EXTRAORDINARY EXPENDITURES, SUCH AS ADJUSTED COMPENSATION AND THE INCREASED OUTLAYS BY THE TREASURY, THE EXPENDITURES WHICH ARE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO WAR AND THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COMPOSE OVER 80 PER CENT OF TOTAL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES. THE AMOUNTS SPENT BY THIS GOVERNMENT IN AID OF AGRICULTURE AND BUSINESS, FOR SCIENCE, EDUCATION, BETTER ROADS, AND OTHER CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS ARE INSIGNIFICANT WHEN COMPARED WITH OUTLAYS DUE TO WAR AND NATIONAL DEFENSE. THIS WILL BE THE INEVITABLE SITUATION AS LONG AS WAR IS THE METHOD OF SETTLING INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES. THESE FACTS SHOULD BE FACED SQUARELY BY THOSE WHO CLAMOR FOR REDUCED GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES AND AT THE SAME TIME OPPOSE THE WORLD'S EFFORTS TO DEVISE RATIONAL METHODS FOR DEALING WITH INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS.'

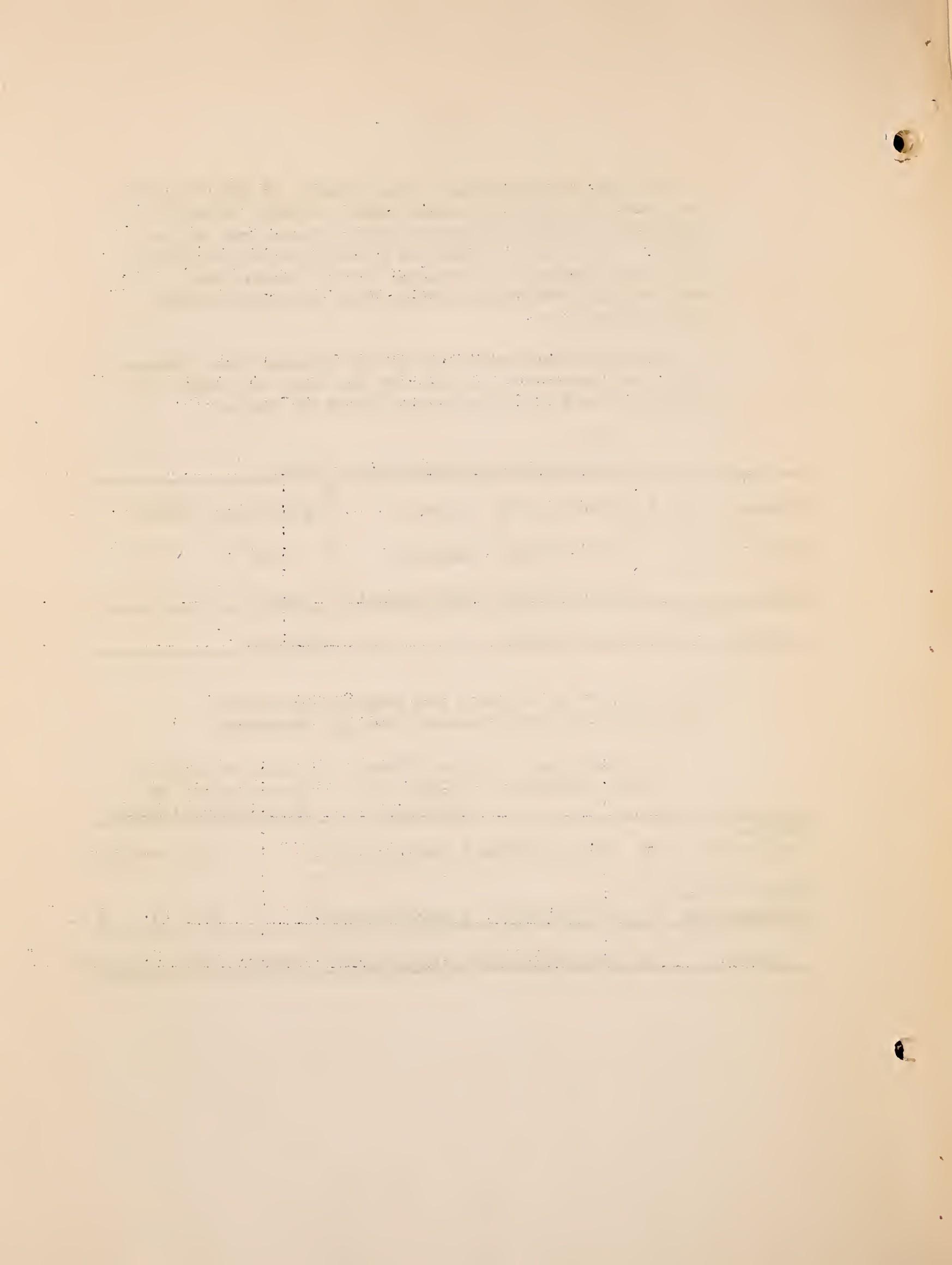
"OF THE TOTAL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES, \$3,530,000,000 THE COMBINED FEDERAL-AID AND FOREST HIGHWAY PAYMENTS WERE \$105,000,000, OR APPROXIMATELY 3 PER CENT OF THE TOTAL. THIS IS THE PEAK AND REPRESENTS NEITHER PAST NOR FUTURE AVERAGE. PROBABLY AT THE PRESENT RATE, THE AVERAGE OVER SEVERAL YEARS WILL BE ABOUT 2.5 PER CENT OR LESS.

"BY DOING AWAY WITH THE ENTIRE FEDERAL ROAD PROGRAM THE TAXPAYER WITHOUT DEPENDENTS WHO PAYS AN INCOME TAX OF \$37.50 ON \$5,000 WOULD SAVE ABOUT 88 CENTS.

"GOVERNMENTAL EXPENDITURES 1923			
FEDERAL	:	\$ 3,648,000,000 (ACTUAL)	: \$33.20 PER CAPITA
STATE	:	1,310,000,000 (ACTUAL)	: 11.82 " "
LOCAL	:	5,142,000,000 (ESTIMATED)	: 46.41
TOTAL	:	\$10,100,000,000	: \$91.40

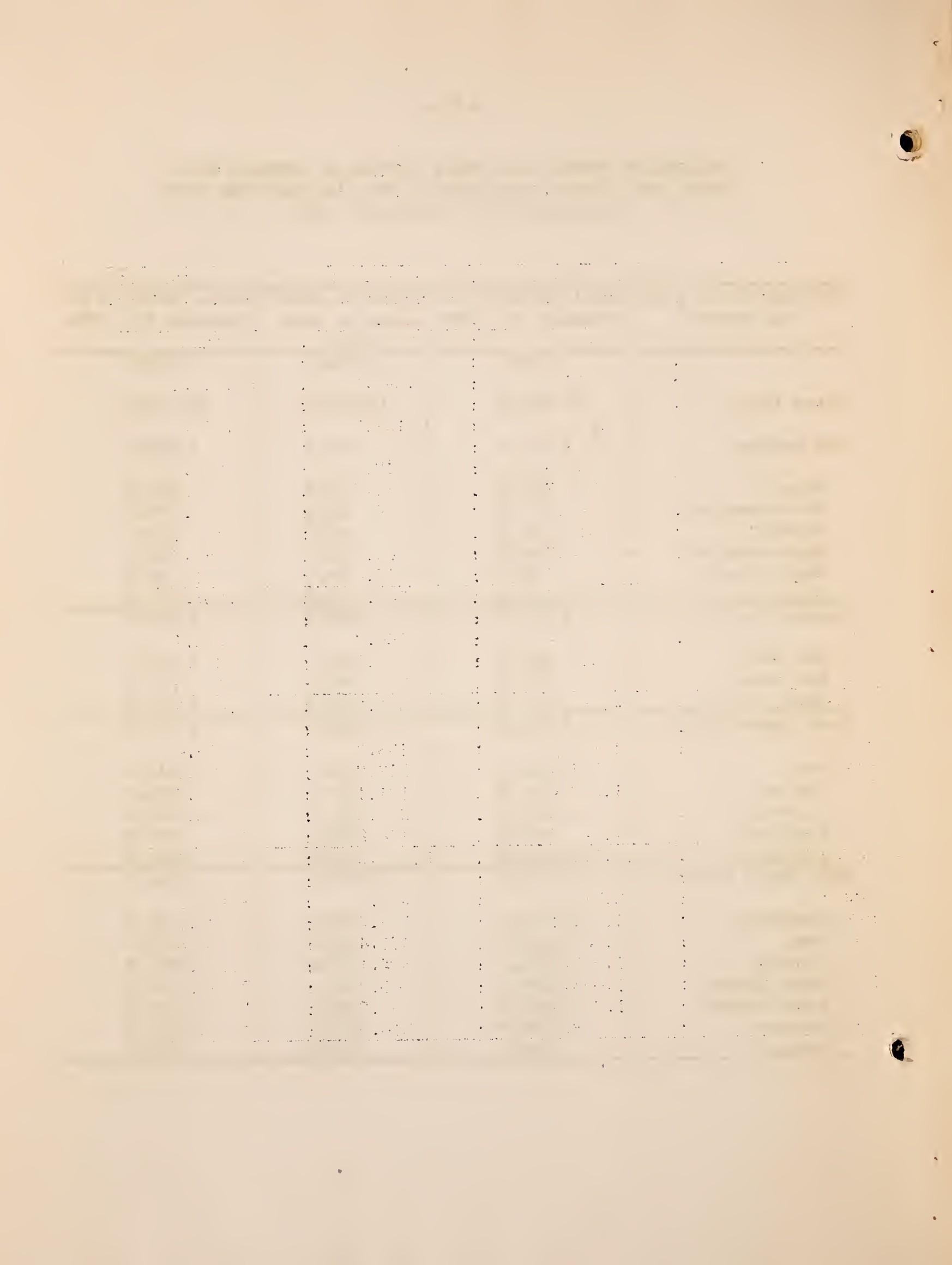
"ESTIMATED TOTAL HIGHWAY AND STREET EXPENDITURE COMPARED WITH TOTAL EXPENDITURES ALL PURPOSES

	: EXPENDITURES	: TOTAL EXPENDITURES ALL PURPOSES	: RATIO OF HIGHWAY EXPENDITURES TO TOTAL EXPENDITURES
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	: \$ 90,000,000	: \$ 3,648,000,000	: 2.5 PER CENT
STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	: 1,210,000,000	: 6,452,000,000	: 18.7 " "
TOTAL	: \$1,300,000,000	: \$10,100,000,000	: AVERAGE 12.9 PER CENT"



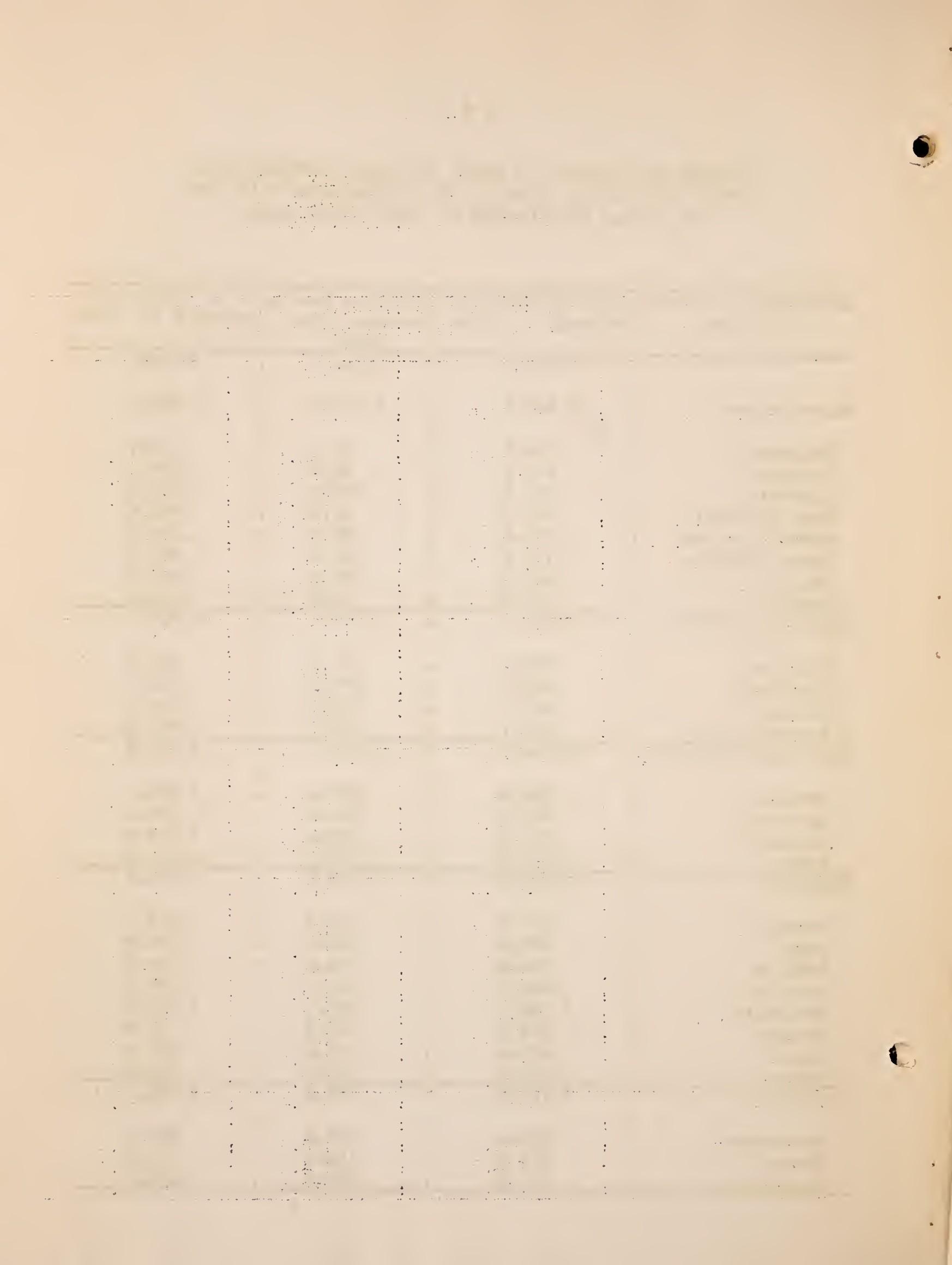
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STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1925
AND TOTALS TO DECEMBER 31, 1925.

GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS; TOTAL IMPROVED TO : IMPROVED DURING: TOTAL IMPROVED TO AND STATES	: DECEMBER 31, 1924.	: CALENDAR YEAR	: DECEMBER 31, 1925.	
			: MILES	: MILES
GRAND TOTAL	: 41,667.8	: 10,348.0	:	52,015.8
NEW ENGLAND	: 1,071.3	: 191.7	:	1,263.0
MAINE	: 278.6	: 17.8	:	296.4
NEW HAMPSHIRE	: 211.7	: 31.3	:	243.0
VERMONT	: 87.0	: 46.0	:	133.0
MASSACHUSETTS	: 319.9	: 62.2	:	382.1
RHODE ISLAND	: 62.7	: 24.0	:	86.7
CONNECTICUT	: 111.4	: 10.4	:	121.8
MIDDLE ATLANTIC	: 2,008.3	: 543.3	:	2,551.6
NEW YORK	: 834.4	: 250.7	:	1,085.1
NEW JERSEY	: 211.8	: 65.8	:	277.6
PENNSYLVANIA	: 962.1	: 226.8	:	1,188.9
EAST NORTH CENTRAL	: 4,988.4	: 956.9	:	5,945.3
OHIO	: 1,149.7	: 183.7	:	1,333.4
INDIANA	: 391.4	: 237.7	:	629.1
ILLINOIS	: 1,247.4	: 171.1	:	1,418.5
MICHIGAN	: 753.5	: 222.2	:	975.7
WISCONSIN	: 1,446.4	: 142.2	:	1,588.6
WEST NORTH CENTRAL	: 11,775.9	: 2,565.2	:	14,341.1
MINNESOTA	: 2,713.3	: 405.0	:	3,118.3
IOWA	: 1,892.1	: 183.0	:	2,075.1
MISSOURI	: 1,125.0	: 479.4	:	1,604.4
NORTH DAKOTA	: 1,928.0	: 304.1	:	2,232.1
SOUTH DAKOTA	: 1,493.4	: 646.2	:	2,139.6
NEBRASKA	: 1,765.4	: 233.0	:	1,998.4
KANSAS	: 858.7	: 314.5	:	1,173.2



MILEAGE OF FEDERAL-AID ROADS INITIALLY IMPROVED WITH
STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 1925
AND TOTALS TO DECEMBER 31, 1925. (CONTINUED)

GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS AND STATES	TOTAL IMPROVED TO DECEMBER 31, 1924.	IMPROVED DURING CALENDAR YEAR 1925.		TOTAL IMPROVED TO DECEMBER 31, 1925.
		MILES	MILES	
SOUTH ATLANTIC	5,342.5	1,120.5	6,463.0	
DELAWARE	86.3	33.1	119.4	
MARYLAND	293.5	82.6	376.1	
VIRGINIA	741.5	260.4	1,001.9	
WEST VIRGINIA	321.8	41.6	363.4	
NORTH CAROLINA	1,078.5	166.7	1,245.2	
SOUTH CAROLINA	1,195.8	145.4	1,341.2	
GEORGIA	1,430.5	372.5	1,803.0	
FLORIDA	194.6	18.2	212.8	
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL	2,581.0	1,179.0	3,760.0	
KENTUCKY	565.0	167.2	732.2	
TENNESSEE	450.9	275.2	726.1	
ALABAMA	811.0	537.3	1,348.3	
MISSISSIPPI	754.1	199.3	953.4	
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL	6,034.3	2,009.1	8,043.4	
ARKANSAS	1,026.8	227.3	1,254.1	
LOUISIANA	824.0	218.4	1,042.4	
OKLAHOMA	630.5	385.4	1,015.9	
TEXAS	3,553.0	1,178.0	4,731.0	
MOUNTAIN	5,696.5	1,318.9	7,015.4	
MONTANA	902.3	120.8	1,023.1	
IDAHO	576.6	159.0	735.6	
WYOMING	956.6	178.4	1,135.0	
COLORADO	658.2	134.0	792.2	
NEW MEXICO	1,184.9	242.1	1,427.0	
ARIZONA	614.9	120.6	735.5	
UTAH	426.9	156.5	583.4	
NEVADA	376.1	207.5	583.6	
PACIFIC	2,169.6	463.4	2,633.0	
WASHINGTON	536.6	128.6	665.2	
OREGON	814.2	104.2	918.4	
CALIFORNIA	818.8	230.6	1,049.4	





HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS

**THE HIGHWAY ACCIDENT RISK
MUST BE REDUCED**

The frequency of accidents increases as the traffic on our highways becomes heavier. The rate can be reduced by building safer roads, by erecting uniform caution signs and by rigid enforcement of traffic regulations. **But after all**, The individual driver must be made to recognize his own responsibility.

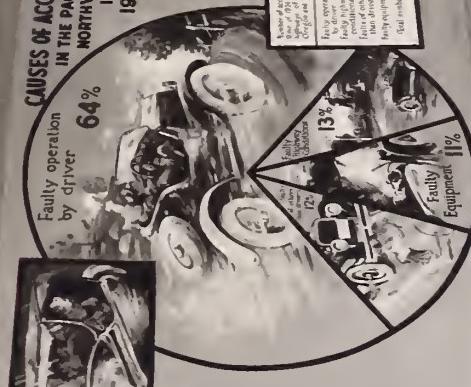
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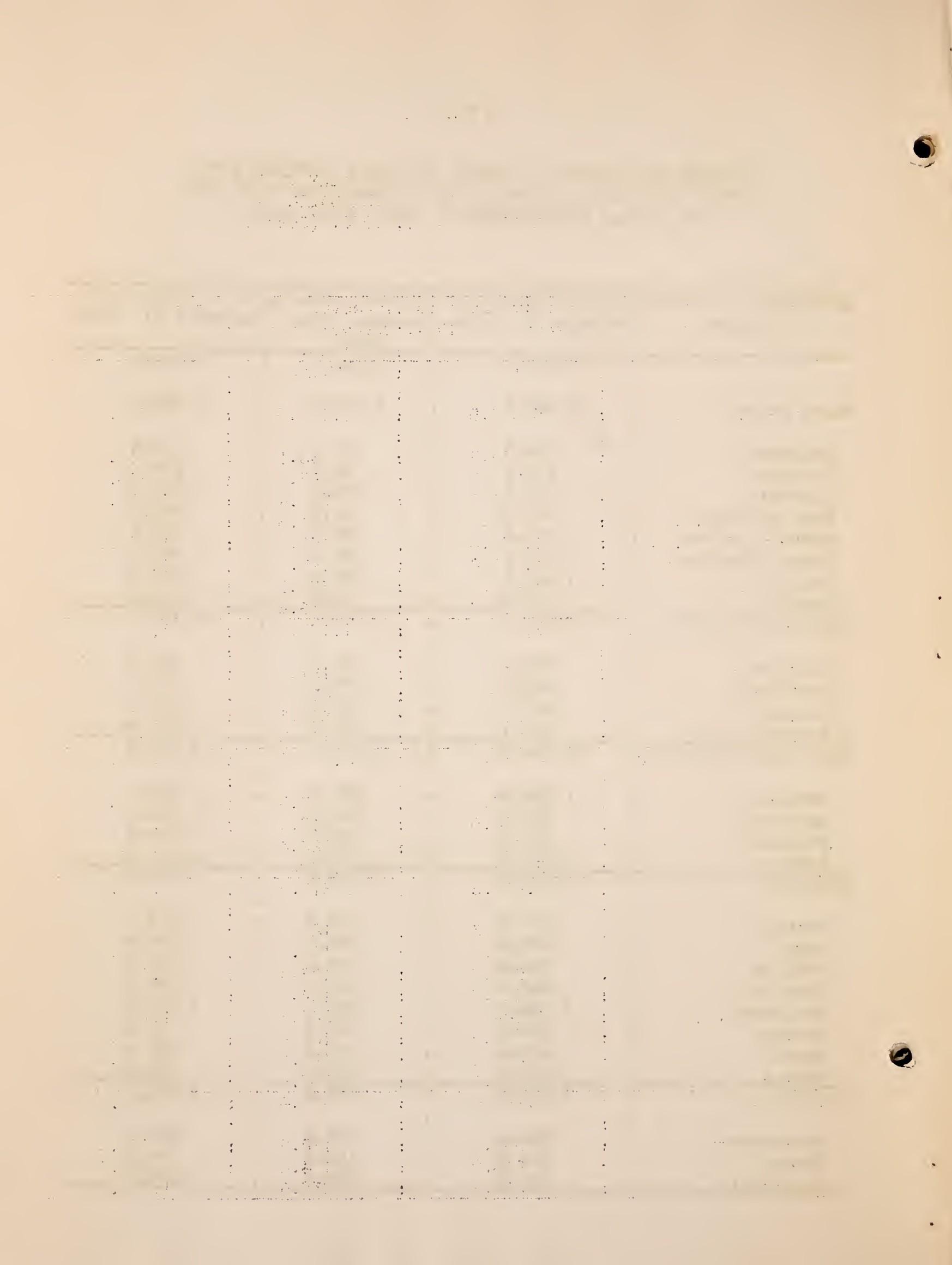
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CAUSES OF ACCIDENTS IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST IN 1924



Number of accidents at one of the 100 on rural highways of Minnesota Oregeon and Washington	103
Family operator by driver	103
family highway condition	214
fields of observation	[6]
than drivers [6]	61
family equivalent	166
Total number	166



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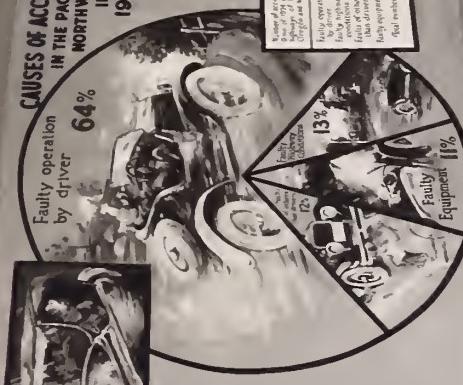
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PROGRESS OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY LEGISLATION

THE FOLLOWING BILLS HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SINCE THE PRESENT CONGRESS (69TH - FIRST SESSION) CONVENED ON DECEMBER 7, 1925. THEY HAVE ALL BEEN REFERRED TO THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES BUT AS YET NONE BUT THE BILL MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE HAS BEEN REPORTED OUT. THE LAST CONGRESS AUTHORIZED BUT DID NOT APPROPRIATE \$75,000,000 FOR FEDERAL AID AND \$7,500,000 FOR FOREST ROADS FOR EACH OF THE FISCAL YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1926, AND JUNE 30, 1927.

H.R. 3823 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 7, 1925, BY C. C. DOWELL OF IOWA.

AUTHORIZES APPROPRIATION OF \$80,000,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 1928; AND \$80,000,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 1929. AUTHORIZES FOR FOREST ROADS THE FOLLOWING SUMS: FOR FISCAL YEARS 1928 AND 1929, \$8,000,000 EACH.

H.R. 4442 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 9, 1925, BY D. B. COLTON OF UTAH.

AMENDS SEC. 11 OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY ACT BY ADDING AT THE END OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH, A PROVISION THAT THE WHOLE COST OF FEDERAL-AID ROADS MAY BE PAID BY THE GOVERNMENT IN PUBLIC LAND STATES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

AMENDS POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION ACT OF JUNE 30, 1923, TO MAKE LIMITS OF PAYMENT CONFORM TO THE ABOVE.

ALSO PROVIDES THAT SECRETARY MAY MAKE PAYMENTS IN EXCESS OF \$15,000 PER MILE:

1. IF GRADING AND DRAINAGE COST MORE THAN \$10,000 A MILE.
2. IF DENSITY OF POPULATION AND TRAFFIC REQUIRE A SURFACE MORE THAN 18 FEET WIDE.

ALSO PROVIDES THAT NO STATE ENTITLED TO PARTICIPATE SHALL RECEIVE LESS THAN \$20,000 OF FOREST ROAD APPROPRIATIONS.

THE HISTORY OF AFRICAN AMERICANS

the slaves were to be freed, and the negroes were to be given their freedom. But the negroes were to be given their freedom, and the negroes were to be given their freedom. But the negroes were to be given their freedom, and the negroes were to be given their freedom. But the negroes were to be given their freedom, and the negroes were to be given their freedom.

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H.R. 137 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 7, 1925, BY J. M. EVANS OF MONTANA.

AMENDS SEC. 11 OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY ACT BY PROVIDING THAT IN THE PUBLIC LAND STATES WHERE THE POPULATION DOES NOT EXCEED 10 PER SQUARE MILE, THE ENTIRE COST OF CONSTRUCTION MAY BE PAID WITH FEDERAL AID.

AMENDS PARAGRAPH 4 OF SECTION 4 OF THE POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION ACT FOR 1923 WHICH AMENDS SECTION 5 OF THE POST OFFICE APPROPRIATION ACT OF FEBRUARY 28, 1919 (LIMITED PARTICIPATION TO \$20,000 PER MILE) SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THE LIMIT OF FEDERAL PARTICIPATION SHALL BE 50 PER CENT OF COST FOR APPROPRIATIONS FOR ALL YEARS AFTER THE FISCAL YEAR 1923 WITH THE SAME PROVISION FOR INCREASED PARTICIPATION IN THE PUBLIC LAND STATES AS HERETOFORE.

H.R. 51 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 7, 1925, BY E. E. DENISON OF ILLINOIS.

GENERAL BRIDGE ACT - BRIDGES OVER NAVIGABLE STREAMS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF SECRETARY OF WAR AND IF ON FEDERAL-AID ROADS OR CONNECTIONS BY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

GOVERNMENTAL UNITS MAY CONSTRUCT BRIDGES AND CHARGE TOLLS FOR 25 YEARS TO RETIRE COST. THEY THEN BECOME FREE.

PRIVATE TOLL BRIDGES MAY BE ERECTED. AFTER 20 YEARS THEY ARE SUBJECT TO BE TAKEN OVER BY CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS WITHOUT ALLOWANCE FOR GOING VALUE, ETC. ACT DOES NOT APPLY TO EXISTING BRIDGES.

H.R. 5980 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 18, 1925, BY B. B. HARE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

ALL EXCISE TAXES AS PROVIDED IN H.R. 1, 69TH CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION, TITLE 6, SEC. 600, SUB-SECTION (1) TO BE PUT IN A FEDERAL HIGHWAY FUND, TO BE DISTRIBUTED AS CONGRESS MAY HEREAFTER PROVIDE.

H.R. 5988 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 18, 1925, BY J. H. ROBISON OF KENTUCKY.

AUTHORIZES \$100,000,000 FOR EACH OF THE FISCAL

YEARS 1927, 1928, AND 1929 FOR FEDERAL AID.

AUTHORIZES \$10,000,000 FOR EACH OF THE FISCAL
YEARS 1927, 1928, AND 1929 FOR FOREST ROADS.

STATES LACKING SUFFICIENT FEDERAL AID TO MATCH

STATE MONEY MAY BE REIMBURSED FROM APPORTION-
MENTS FOR FUTURE YEARS.

H.R. 7572 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE DECEMBER 13, 1925, BY E. B. ALMON OF ALABAMA.

AUTHORIZES APPROPRIATION OF \$125,000,000 FOR
FEDERAL AID FOR EACH OF THE FISCAL YEARS 1927,
1928 AND 1929.

AUTHORIZES APPROPRIATION FOR FOREST ROADS OF
\$10,000,000 FOR EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 1927,
1928 AND 1929.

H.R. 8264 - INTRODUCED IN HOUSE JANUARY 23, 1926, BY W. W. MAGEE OF NEW YORK FROM THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE
30, 1927, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

\$5,000,000 IS APPROPRIATED FOR FOREST ROADS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1926, OF THE \$7,500,000
AUTHORIZED.

\$75,000,000 IS APPROPRIATED FOR FEDERAL-AID ROADS.
\$28,300,000 OF THIS IS A PORTION OF THE 1926
AUTHORIZATION. THE BALANCE IS THE UNAPPROPRIATED
REMAINDER OF THE \$75,000,000 AUTHORIZED FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR 1925.

CORRECTION OF GASOLINE TAX RATES

THE GASOLINE TAX RATE IN IDAHO WAS INCREASED FROM 2 TO 3 CENTS
EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 1925, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECENTLY RECEIVED.
THIS IS A CORRECTION OF THE LIST PRINTED IN THE DECEMBER 1925, NEWS
LETTER. WITH THIS CHANGE THERE ARE 19 STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF
COLUMBIA THAT HAVE A 2 CENT TAX AND 12 STATES IN THE 3 CENT TAX CLASS.

1. *On the first day of the month of*
2. *July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and*
3. *ninety-four, we, the undersigned, do make and declare*
4. *the following instrument:*

5. *We, the undersigned, do declare that we have read and*
6. *understood the above instrument, and that we do now*
7. *consent to it, and will abide by its terms.*

RELATION OF MOTOR TRUCK TO RAILROAD FREIGHT TRANSPORTATION

LOCAL DISTRIBUTION constitutes the bulk of motor truck haulage. This service distributes goods within cities and to their suburban and tributary areas.

SERVICE SUPPLEMENTARY TO RAIL SERVICE is next in importance. It carries freight service to areas without rail service; substitutes for rail service on unprofitable branch lines and enables service on unprofitable branch lines and enables railroads to solve the problem of short haul package movement.

LONG HAULAGE OF SPECIAL COMMODITIES is the smallest part of the movement. It competes with rail service but is justified for the movement of perishable commodities and when speed of delivery or avoidance of special problems and cost saving are primary considerations.

RAILROAD ABANDONMENTS AND THE MOTOR VEHICLE

Abandonment of rail mileage caused by highway competition amounts to only 4 percent

CAUSE

CAUSE	PERCENTAGE
Exhaustion of natural resources	141.0
Construction of motor roads	71.4
Completion of main lines of railroad	104.4
Rearrangement of lines of railroad	3.4
Motor traffic	7.3
Total	24.95

The record of the line-wide company income in 1920 to 1925 are the source of the evidence.

COMPARISON OF MOTOR BUS AND RAILROAD PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION

According to recent analyses of rail and motor bus service in 8 states

The analysis of motor bus routes is

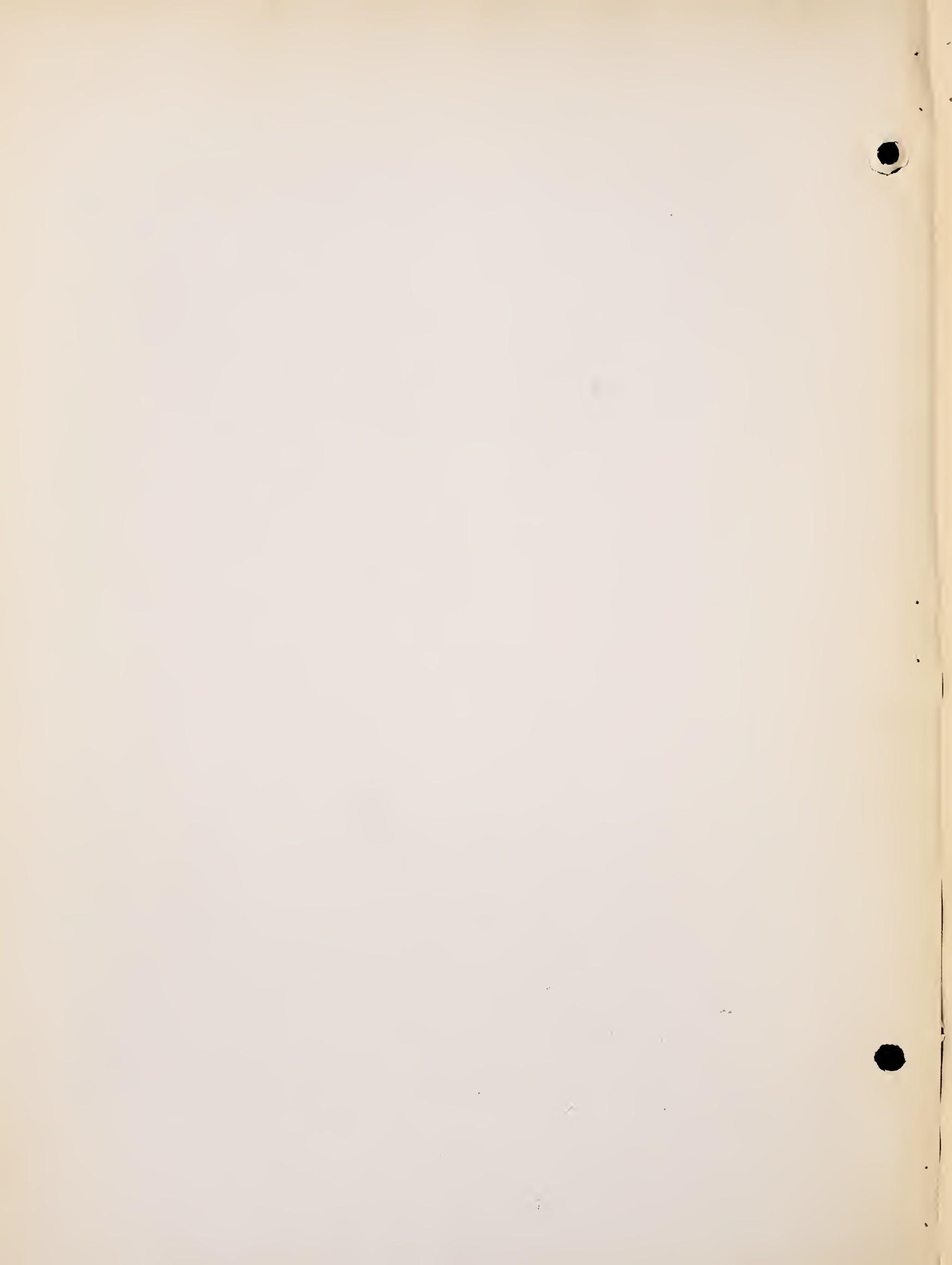
The analysis of rail routes is

A classification of 16,534 miles of the bus routes shows that

PARALLEL RAILROADS	FEEDS RAILROADS AND CONNECTS POINTS ALSO CONNECTED BY RAILROADS BUT	CONNECTS POINTS ALSO CONNECTED BY RAILROADS BUT	CONNECTS POINTS ALSO CONNECTED BY RAILROADS BUT
provides more frequent and more convenient service	connects them more directly at lower cost and quicker time	connects them more directly at lower cost and quicker time	connects them more directly at lower cost and quicker time

IN ALL CASES BUS RATES WERE HIGHER THAN RAIL RATES

Connected Kentucky, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Oregon, Virginia, West Virginia



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

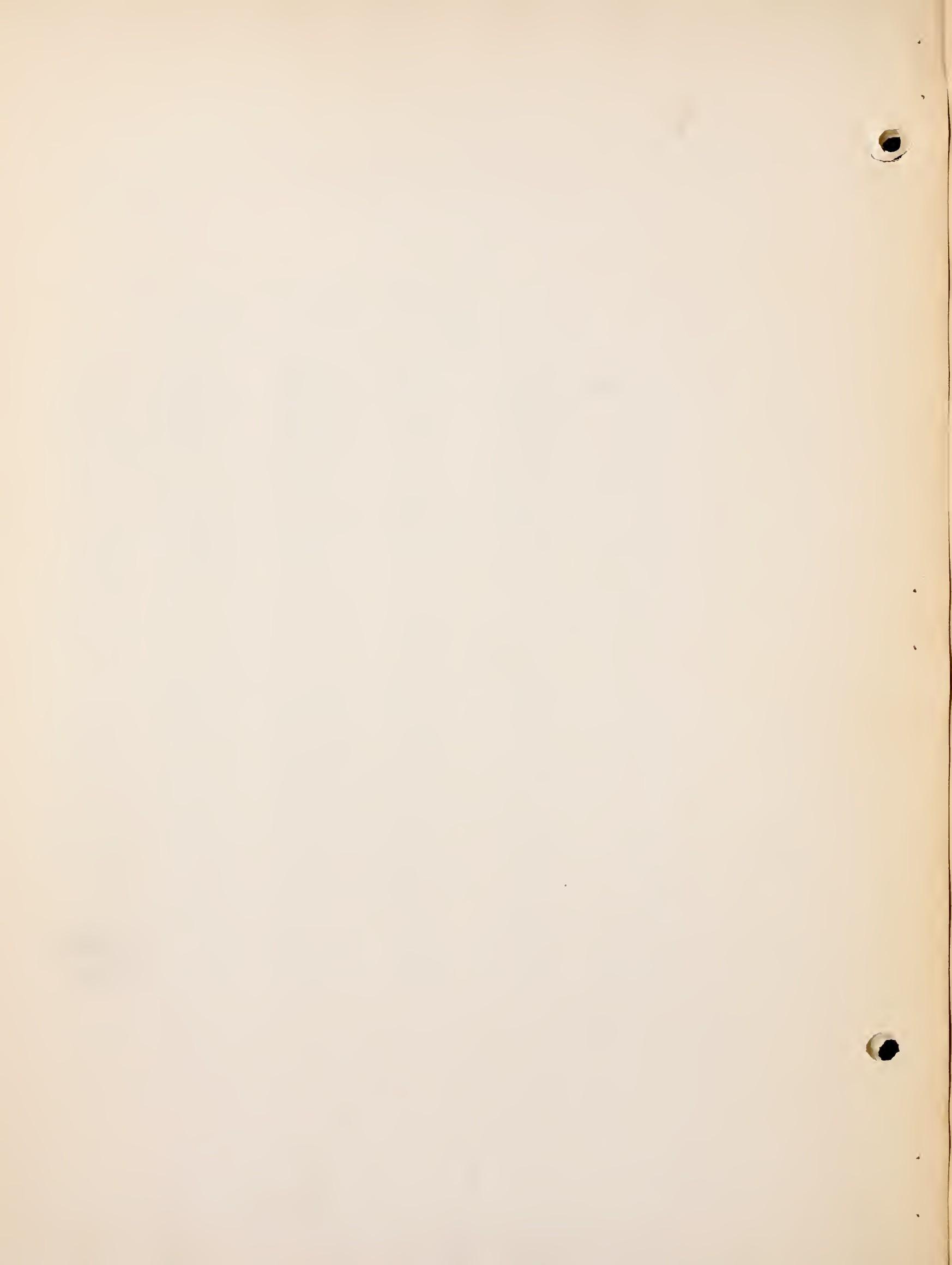
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APPORTIONMENT OF FEDERAL AID TO STATES
FISCAL YEARS 1917 - 1927

STATE	TOTAL APPORTIONMENT 1917-1925	APPORTIONMENT FISCAL YEAR 1926	REAPPORTIONMENT:		TOTAL APPORTIONMENT 1917- 1927	STATE
			OF \$655,546.34	APPORTIONMENT FROM MONTANA'S PART OF THE 1923 APPORTIONMENT		
ALABAMA	11,252,963.00	1,541,870.00	13,823.00	1,540,799.00	14,349,455.00	ALABAMA
ARIZONA	7,495,701.00	1,056,171.00	9,469.00	1,055,908.00	9,617,249.00	ARIZONA
ARKANSAS	9,062,400.00	1,264,164.00	11,333.00	1,267,907.00	11,605,804.00	ARKANSAS
CALIFORNIA	17,093,306.00	2,472,636.00	22,167.00	2,484,706.00	22,072,815.00	CALIFORNIA
COLORADO	9,559,881.00	1,373,237.00	12,310.00	1,380,384.00	12,325,812.00	COLORADO
CONNECTICUT	3,381,195.00	474,801.00	4,257.00	473,428.00	4,333,681.00	CONNECTICUT
DELAWARE	1,739,530.00	365,625.00	3,278.00	365,625.00	2,474,058.00	DELAWARE
FLORIDA	6,286,887.00	832,878.00	8,004.00	897,185.00	8,084,954.00	FLORIDA
GEORGIA	14,449,897.00	1,983,089.00	17,778.00	1,981,169.00	18,431,953.00	GEORGIA
IDAHO	6,677,712.00	936,927.00	8,399.00	936,589.00	8,559,627.00	IDAHO
ILLINOIS	23,436,492.00	3,191,479.00	28,611.00	3,175,616.00	29,832,198.00	ILLINOIS
INDIANA	14,312,392.00	1,938,693.00	17,380.00	1,935,890.00	18,204,355.00	INDIANA
IOWA	15,336,137.00	2,070,396.00	18,561.00	2,060,469.00	19,485,563.00	IOWA
KANSAS	15,299,289.00	2,074,360.00	18,596.00	2,072,166.00	19,464,411.00	KANSAS
KENTUCKY	10,371,739.00	1,411,607.00	12,654.00	1,416,809.00	13,212,809.00	KENTUCKY
LOUISIANA	7,265,442.00	937,262.00	8,940.00	1,000,764.00	9,272,408.00	LOUISIANA
MAINE	5,089,972.00	685,140.00	6,142.00	683,574.00	6,464,828.00	MAINE
MARYLAND	4,648,950.00	635,783.00	5,700.00	634,624.00	5,925,057.00	MARYLAND
MASSACHUSETTS	7,919,780.00	1,090,118.00	9,773.00	1,089,055.00	10,108,726.00	MASSACHUSETTS
MICHIGAN	15,879,772.00	2,225,227.00	19,948.00	2,217,418.00	20,342,365.00	MICHIGAN
MINNESOTA	15,318,419.00	2,124,151.00	19,042.00	2,130,168.00	19,591,780.00	MINNESOTA
MISSISSIPPI	9,531,273.00	1,231,960.00	11,582.00	1,293,203.00	12,128,018.00	MISSISSIPPI
MISSOURI	17,940,188.00	2,417,727.00	21,674.00	2,406,847.00	22,786,436.00	MISSOURI
MONTANA	*10,310,870.66	1,548,473.00	13,881.34	1,551,660.00	13,424,885.00	MONTANA
NEBRASKA	11,450,946.00	1,581,969.00	14,182.00	1,588,138.00	14,635,235.00	NEBRASKA
NEVADA	6,890,321.00	948,076.00	8,500.00	948,318.00	8,795,215.00	NEVADA
NEW HAMPSHIRE	2,434,964.00	365,625.00	3,278.00	365,625.00	3,169,492.00	NEW HAMPSHIRE
NEW JERSEY	6,589,247.00	935,082.00	8,383.00	934,708.00	8,467,420.00	NEW JERSEY
NEW MEXICO	8,589,332.00	1,185,166.00	10,624.00	1,187,264.00	10,972,386.00	NEW MEXICO
NEW YORK	26,708,148.00	3,657,096.00	32,785.00	3,647,166.00	34,045,195.00	NEW YORK
NORTH CAROLINA	12,294,251.00	1,639,168.00	15,233.00	1,708,554.00	15,717,206.00	NORTH CAROLINA
NORTH DAKOTA	8,363,656.00	1,180,699.00	10,584.00	1,193,720.00	10,748,659.00	NORTH DAKOTA
OHIO	20,140,164.00	2,789,588.00	25,007.00	2,777,037.00	25,731,796.00	OHIO
OKLAHOMA	12,536,703.00	1,755,105.00	15,734.00	1,752,245.00	16,059,787.00	OKLAHOMA
OREGON	8,506,159.00	1,179,668.00	10,575.00	1,162,945.00	10,879,347.00	OREGON
PENNSYLVANIA	24,601,616.00	3,360,123.00	30,122.00	3,346,920.00	31,338,781.00	PENNSYLVANIA
RHODE ISLAND	1,933,041.00	365,625.00	3,278.00	365,625.00	2,667,569.00	RHODE ISLAND
SOUTH CAROLINA	7,687,546.00	1,052,549.00	9,436.00	1,051,993.00	9,801,524.00	SOUTH CAROLINA
SOUTH DAKOTA	8,718,680.00	1,215,020.00	10,832.00	1,222,198.00	11,166,790.00	SOUTH DAKOTA
TENNESSEE	12,024,637.00	1,622,985.00	14,560.00	1,618,419.00	15,280,591.00	TENNESSEE
TEXAS	31,724,213.00	4,415,715.00	39,586.00	4,426,917.00	40,606,431.00	TEXAS
UTAH	6,116,473.00	846,467.00	7,588.00	848,251.00	7,818,779.00	UTAH
VERMONT	2,533,979.00	365,625.00	3,278.00	365,625.00	3,268,507.00	VERMONT
VIRGINIA	10,592,953.00	1,449,713.00	12,996.00	1,445,852.00	13,501,514.00	VIRGINIA
WASHINGTON	7,886,678.00	1,118,387.00	10,031.00	1,130,080.00	10,145,776.00	WASHINGTON
WEST VIRGINIA	5,754,132.00	797,295.00	7,148.00	793,936.00	7,352,511.00	WEST VIRGINIA
WISCONSIN	13,678,451.00	1,873,308.00	16,734.00	1,870,262.00	17,438,815.00	WISCONSIN
WYOMING	6,687,351.00	934,947.00	8,382.00	935,594.00	8,566,274.00	WYOMING
HAWAII	365,625.00	365,625.00	3,278.00	365,625.00	1,100,153.00	HAWAII

TOTALS :\$ *524,469,453.66 :\$ 73,125,000.00 :\$ 655,546.34 :\$ 73,125,000.00 :\$ 671,375,000.00 : TOTALS

* LESS \$655,546.34 FROM THE 1923 APPOINTMENT WHICH WAS REAPPOINTED AUGUST 29, 1925.



UNITED STATES HIGHWAYS APPROVED BY FORTY-ONE STATES

THE DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED IN NUMBERING THE ROUTES AND IN THE PROPOSED MARKING SYSTEM FOR THE UNITED STATES HIGHWAYS WERE DISCUSSED AND THRESHED OUT BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY OFFICIALS ON JANUARY 14. ADJUSTMENTS AND FINAL DECISIONS WERE REACHED IN ALL BUT TWO CASES - KANSAS AND KENTUCKY. THE LATTER WERE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT. FOUR STATES - PENNSYLVANIA, NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY AND MARYLAND - DID NOT PRESENT THEIR CASES EXCEPT IN A GENERAL WAY. A FURTHER CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD WITH THIS GROUP THE LATTER PART OF JANUARY, AT WHICH TIME ADJUSTMENTS SHOULD BE COMPLETED. THE ADJUSTMENTS IN KANSAS AND KENTUCKY SHOULD BE CONCLUDED BY FEBRUARY FIRST. ALL THE OTHER STATES MAY BE ASSUMED TO HAVE APPROVED THE PROGRAM WITH OR WITHOUT ADJUSTMENTS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ARIZONA FROM WHICH NO OFFICIAL WORD WAS HEARD. THIS MEANS THAT PRACTICALLY 41 STATES HAVE ACCEPTED THE PROGRAM.

THE COMPLETELY REVISED MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THE NUMBERED ROUTES SHOULD BE READY FOR DISTRIBUTION BY MARCH FIRST. DETAILED DIMENSION WORKING DRAWINGS ARE BEING PREPARED FOR THE UNITED STATES HIGHWAYS SHIELDS, THE DIRECTION AND INFORMATION, AND THE DANGER AND CAUTION SIGNS. THESE DRAWINGS PROVIDE FOR STANDARD SYSTEMS OF LETTERING: SAMPLES OF THE PROPER COLOR OF PAINT, ESPECIALLY THE YELLOW, WILL BE DISTRIBUTED IN ONE HALF PINT TINS OR BOTTLES TO THE 48 STATES WITHIN A FEW WEEKS. THIS COLOR HAS BEEN MATCHED WITH THE EXACT COLOR DETERMINED BY THE BUREAU OF STANDARDS ON THE BASIS OF THE MEASURED DOMINANT WAVE LENGTH OF WHITE LIGHT REFLECTED FROM THE PIGMENT. IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO MATCH SAMPLES IN GLASS BOTTLES BECAUSE THE GLASS ALWAYS LENDS A GREENISH TINGE TO THE CONTAINED PAINT. IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO POUR OUT A SMALL AMOUNT FROM THE CONTAINER AND BRUSH IT OVER A WHITE SURFACE BEFORE ANY COMPARISON IS MADE. THE COLOR ON THE SIGNS WILL FADE TO SOME EXTENT WHEN EXPOSED TO THE WEATHER. THIS CAN BE PREVENTED FROM CAUSING ANY MISUNDERSTANDING BY PROPER MAINTENANCE WHICH INCLUDES REPAINTING OF THE SIGNS WHEN NECESSARY.

IT IS HOPED THAT THE MAJOR PORTION OF THE ROUTE NUMBER MARKERS (UNITED STATES HIGHWAYS SHIELDS) WILL BE ERECTED OVER THE ENTIRE COUNTRY BY JULY 1, 1926. THE MATERIAL TO BE USED IN THE SIGNS - WHETHER STEEL, CONCRETE OR WOOD - IS OPTIONAL WITH THE STATES. NO STANDARD MATERIAL HAS BEEN ADOPTED. IT IS HOPED THAT A PLAN MAY BE DEVISED WHEREBY ON FEDERAL-AID ROADS THE COST OF THE SIGNS MAY BE BORN BY THE BUREAU AND THE STATES COOPERATING AS ON ANY OTHER FEDERAL-AID PROJECT.

BRICK TEST ROAD NOW UNDER TRAFFIC

AN INVESTIGATION OF THE RELATIVE MERITS OF DIFFERENT THICKNESSES OF PAVING BRICK IS NOW BEING CONDUCTED BY THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS AT ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA.

TEN TEST SECTIONS, EACH ABOUT 50 FEET IN LENGTH, HAVE BEEN LAID AROUND A CIRCULAR TRACK AND ARE BEING SUBJECTED TO A CONCENTRATED MOTOR TRUCK TRAFFIC. VERTICAL-FIBER, LUGLESS PAVING BRICK OF 2, 2-1/2, 3, 3-1/2, AND 4-INCH THICKNESSES, HAVE BEEN LAID ON PLAIN SAND AND CEMENT-SAND BEDDING COURSES, 3/4-INCH IN THICKNESS, AND THE JOINTS FILLED WITH ASPHALT. UNDER THIS WEARING COURSE IS A REINFORCED CONCRETE BASE LAID ON A GRAVEL SUB-BASE.

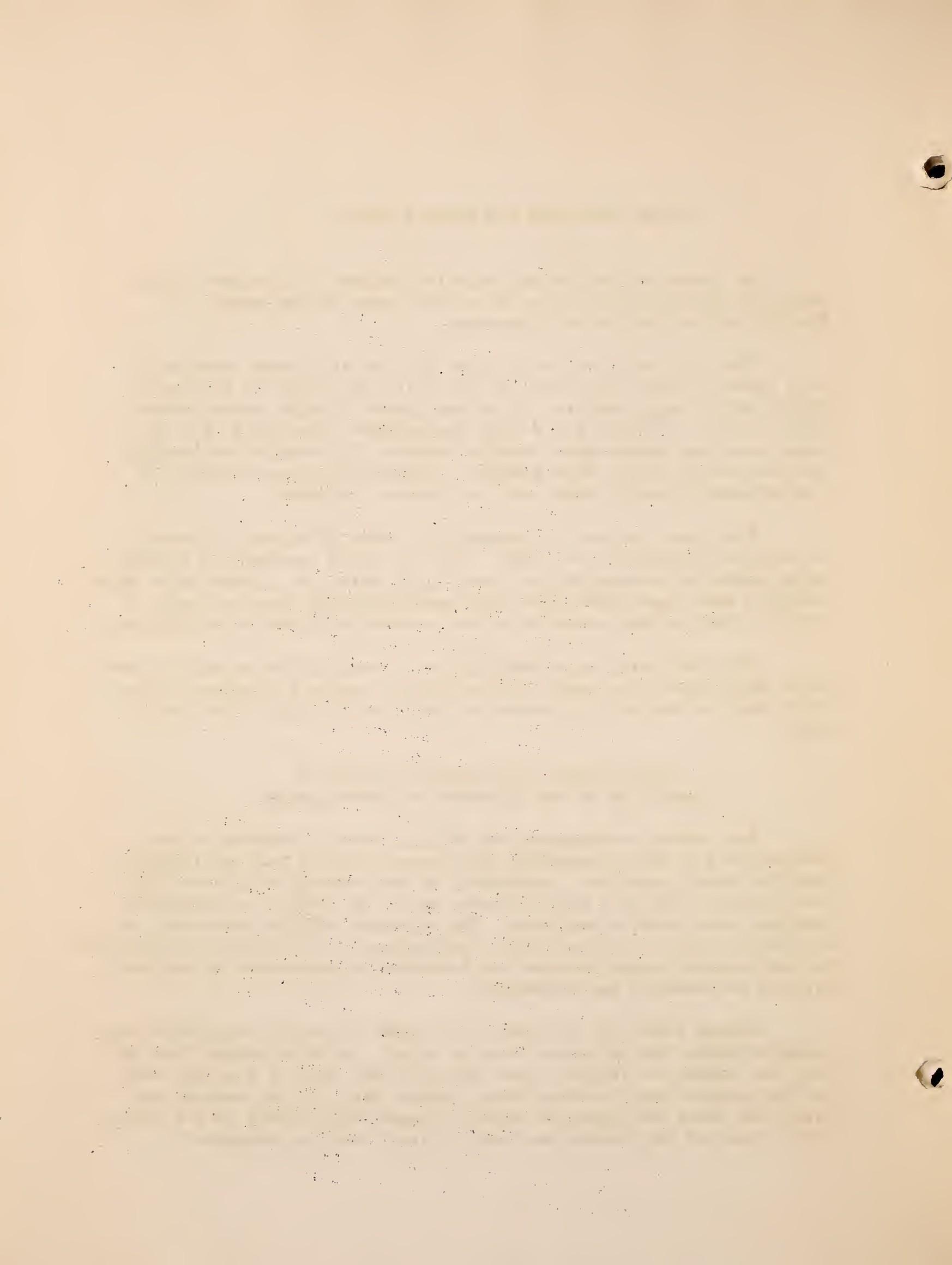
THE TRUCK TRAFFIC IS LIMITED TO A PATH 30 INCHES IN WIDTH, IN ORDER TO ACCELERATE THE TEST. SO FAR 10,000 PASSAGES OF A 3-TON TRUCK CARRYING A CAPACITY LOAD, AND 3,000 TRIPS OF A 5-TON TRUCK WITH CAPACITY LOAD, HAVE BEEN MADE OVER THE RESTRICTED TRAFFIC ZONE. A CAREFUL STUDY OF THE BEHAVIOR OF THE VARIOUS SECTIONS IS BEING MADE.

THIS TEST WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY A FIELD STUDY OF BRICK PAVEMENTS WHICH HAVE BEEN DOWN FOR SOME YEARS, AND BY A COMPLETE LABORATORY TEST OF THE VARIOUS DEPTHS OF BRICK BEING USED IN THIS TEST ROAD.

CABLE GUARD RAIL BRACKETS SUGGESTED SUBMITTED BY THE DIVISION OF CONSTRUCTION

THE GROWING EXPERIENCE AND SPECIAL TESTS CONDUCTED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AGENCIES SEEM TO INDICATE THAT THE CABLE GUARD RAIL CONSISTING OF TWO STRANDS OF 3/4 OR 7/8-INCH CABLE IS THE ONLY FORM OF FENCE WHICH IS CAPABLE OF PREVENTING VEHICLES FROM LEAVING THE ROAD. THE OLD-STYLE WOODEN GUARD RAIL IS BELIEVED BY SOME TO BE POSITIVELY DANGEROUS. IN A NUMBER OF INSTANCES THE RAILS HAVE PASSED THROUGH THE RADIATOR OR WINDSHIELD OF THE CAR, KILLING OR INJURING THE OCCUPANTS.

WOODEN POSTS ARE BELIEVED TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE AND BETTER THAN CONCRETE POSTS FOR THE CABLE TYPE OF FENCE, BUT WITH EITHER TYPE OF POST THE METHOD OF ATTACHING THE CABLE TO THE POST IS A DETAIL THAT HAS NOT ALWAYS BEEN SATISFACTORILY WORKED OUT. IN THE EARLIER DESIGNS THE CABLE WAS COMMONLY PASSED THROUGH HOLES BORED IN THE POSTS. LATELY SOME OF THE STATES HAVE BEEN USING A SPECIAL BRACKET.



DISTRICT ENGINEER PURCELL FURNISHES TWO DESIGNS OF BRACKET, THE FOLLOWING DRAWINGS OF WHICH WILL DOUBTLESS INTEREST ENGINEERS OF THE BUREAU. ONE OF THE DESIGNS SUGGESTS AN EYE-BOLT, THE OTHER A HOOK-BOLT. MR. PURCELL IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE EYE-BOLT DESIGN IS MUCH NEATER BUT REMARKS THAT THE BOLT MUST, OF COURSE, BE THREADED TO THE CABLE AFTER THE MANNER OF A NEEDLE AND THREAD. THE HOOK-BOLT DESIGN IS NOT SUBJECT TO THIS CRITICISM.

STANDARD FOREST ROAD BRIDGE PLANS

REPORTED BY THE BRIDGE SECTION OF THE DIVISION OF DESIGN

THE STANDARD PLANS FOR 80, 100, 120, 150 AND 200-FOOT STEEL BRIDGES, NOW BEING PREPARED IN THE WASHINGTON OFFICE FOR FOREST ROADS, WILL BE COMPLETED BY FEBRUARY 1, 1926. THESE PLANS COVER ALL THE WORK ON THE MAJOR STRUCTURES PROPOSED FOR THIS YEAR. IT IS PLANNED TO EXTEND THE STANDARDS YEAR BY YEAR AS THE FOREST ROAD PROGRAM MAKES NECESSARY OTHER SPAN LENGTHS AND TYPES OF MATERIAL, SUCH AS CONCRETE AND WOOD.

COOK COUNTY HIGHWAY SYSTEM REPORT TO BE READY SOON

THE REPORT OF THE STUDY OF THE COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HIGHWAY SYSTEM MADE BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS AND THE COOK COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE PRINTER AND WILL BE READY FOR DISTRIBUTION BY THE MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY.

THE REPORT CONTAINS THE RESULTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC STUDIES CONDUCTED DURING THE SUMMER AND FALL OF 1924 UNDER THE COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FEDERAL BUREAU AND THE COOK COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

THESE INVESTIGATIONS WERE UNDERTAKEN IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ESSENTIAL FACTS CONCERNING TRAFFIC ON THE COOK COUNTY HIGHWAYS AS A BASIS FOR PLANNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE HIGHWAY SYSTEM IN THE CHICAGO REGIONAL AREA TO SERVE PRESENT AND FUTURE TRAFFIC.

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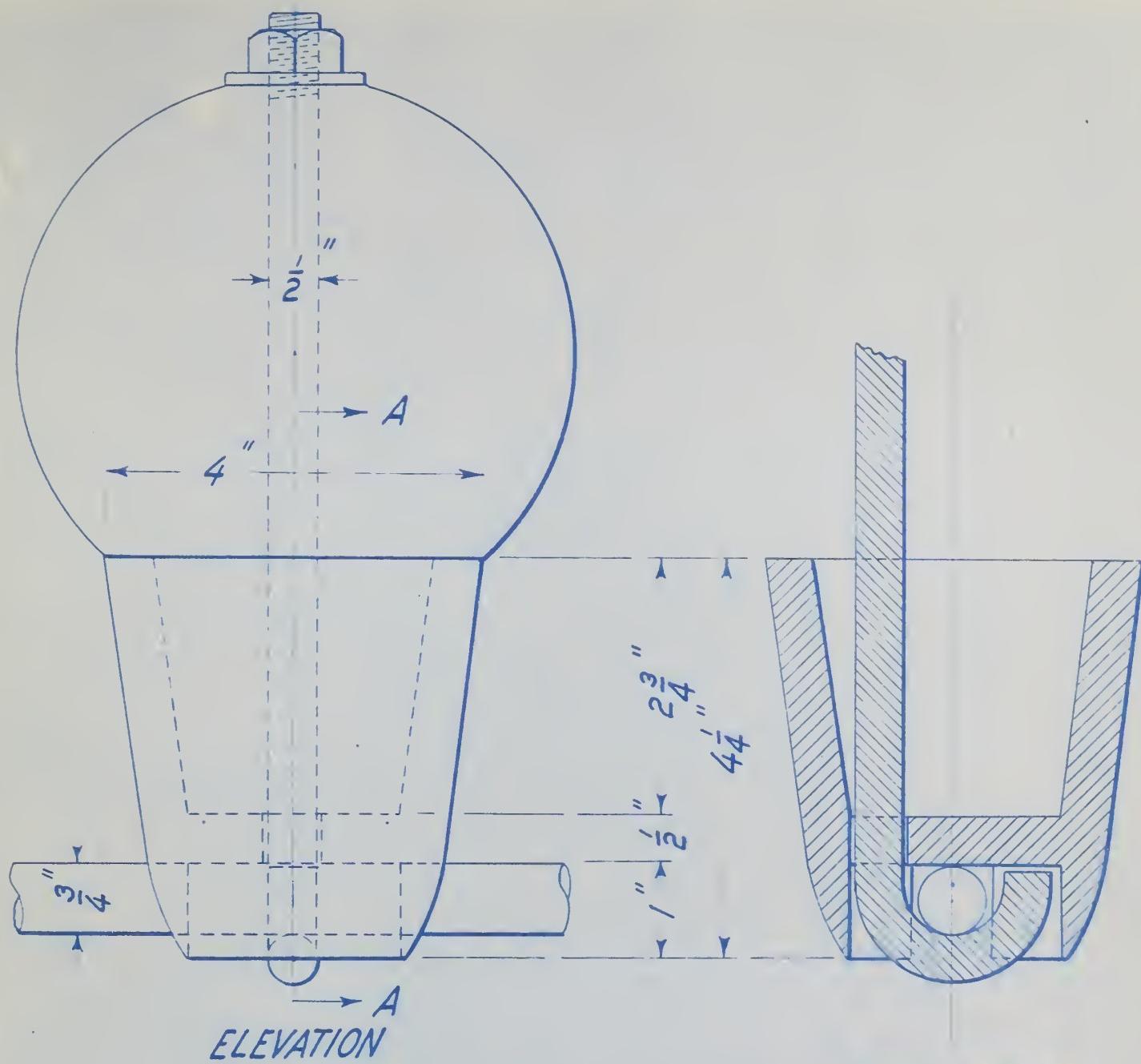
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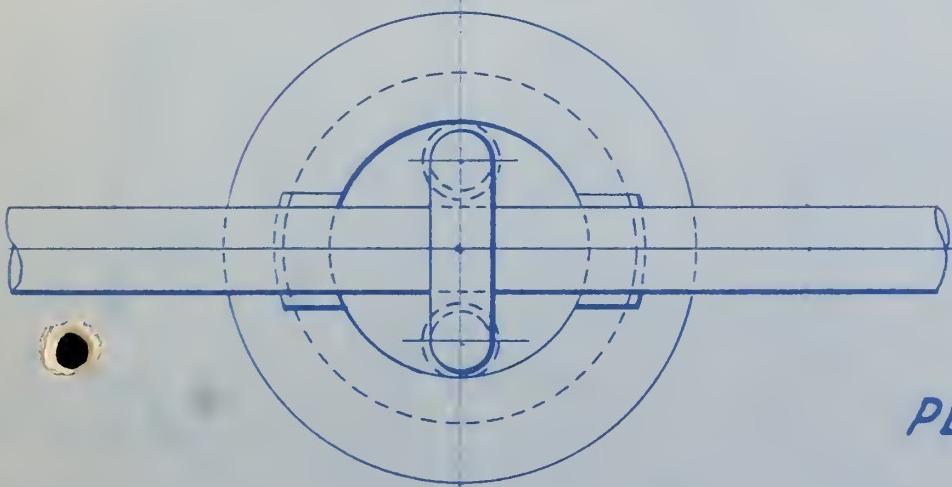
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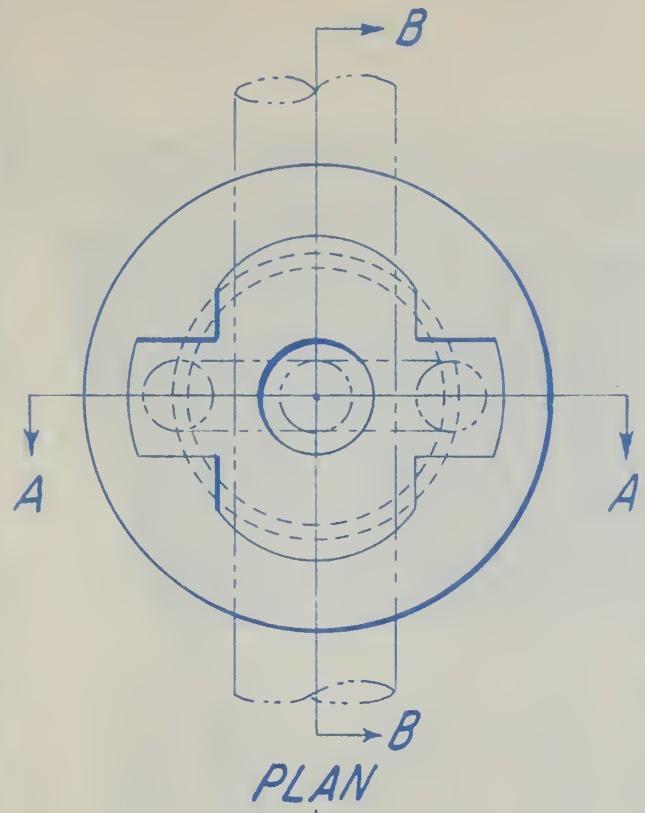


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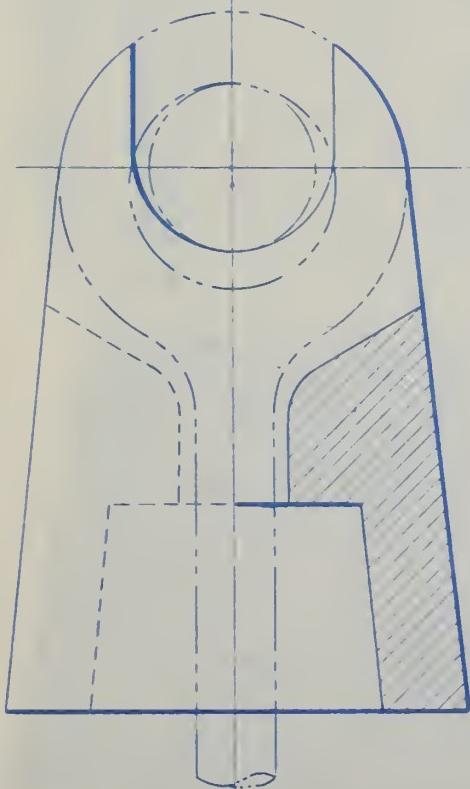
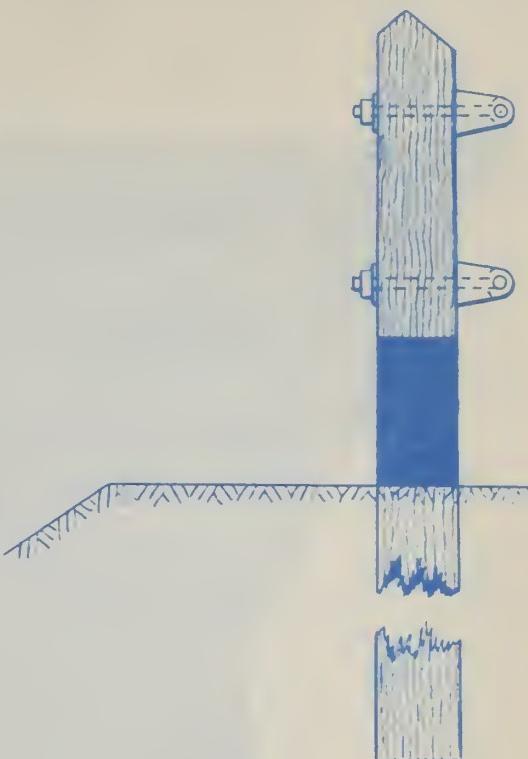
PEDESTAL FOR GUARD RAIL CABLE
HOOK BOLT DESIGN

SCALE - ONE HALF SIZE

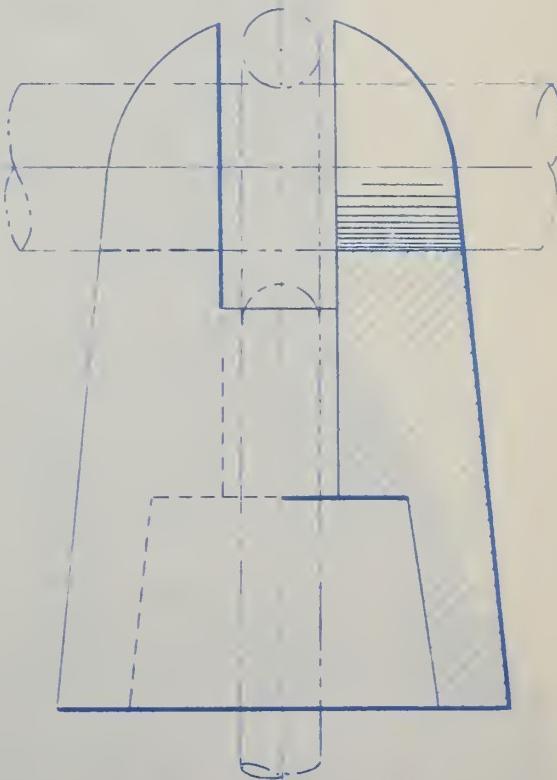




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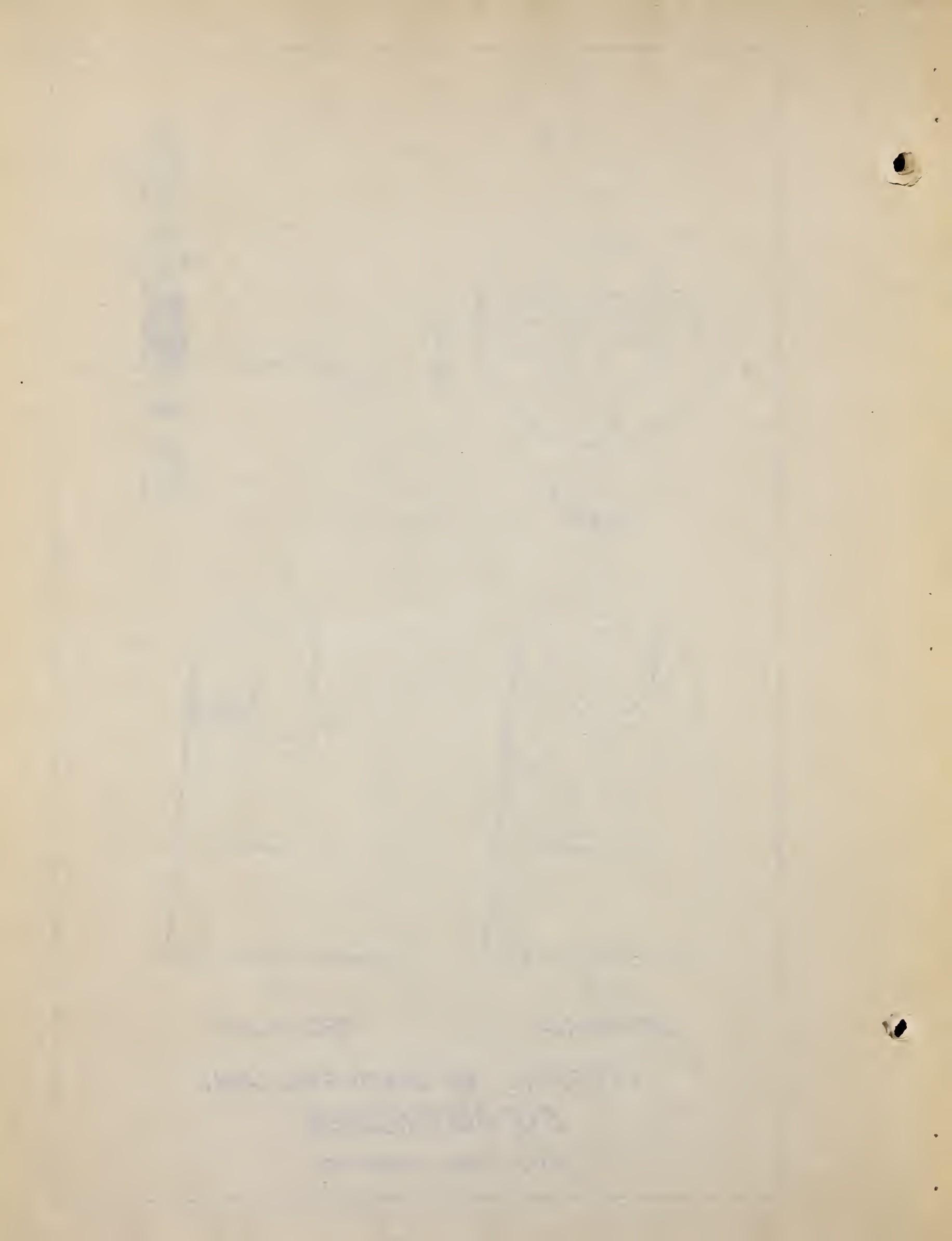
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PEDESTAL FOR GUARD RAIL CABLE
EYE BOLT DESIGN

SCALE - THREE QUARTER SIZE



EFFICIENT CONCRETE MIXING

TWO CONTRACTORS BUILD A CONCRETE PAVEMENT— ONE LOSES AND THE OTHER MAKES MONEY WHY?

1-The biggest losses were caused by poor operation of the mixer. These included the following items.

- (a) Failure to overlap time of raising skip and discharge of mixer.
- (b) Allowing discharge to dribble too long.
- (c) Slow handling of the cement at the mixer.
- (d) Split batches - allowing to dump the bucket during the mixing time.
- (e) Stopping mixer to rewash aggregates.

2-The next big loss was an inadequate truck supply both in number and kind.

The contractor had to pay for 17 batches a day or an average of 38 linear feet of pavement an hour or 360 feet a day

The pavement in each case is 18 feet by 8 inches by 6 in. thick.

These illustrate two actual cases.

Charging and
Discharging
10½ Seconds

Truck
Delays
48 Seconds

HOW MR. ABE L. CONTRACTOR MADE HIS PROFIT



- 1-The hand of expert mixer operator.
- 2-The cement was placed in the trucks at the stock pile.
- 3-A sufficient number of trucks of the proper size were used and kept in constant repair.
- 4-The skip and conveyor pipe line was used instead of the ordinary two-inch size.
- 5-The skip was raised and the mixture discharged simultaneously.
- 6-The mixer split - which troubled the discharge too long, or disturbed the cement before the skip was raised.
- 7-The boom was dumped at the end of the boom while the subgrade was reashed next to the mixer.

WHY MR. E.Z. CONTRACTOR LOST MONEY



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AN ELABORATE MAINTENANCE UTILITY TRUCK

REPORT BY JOHN D. SLYE, ASSISTANT HIGHWAY ENGINEER,
THROUGH J. W. JOHNSON, DISTRICT ENGINEER.

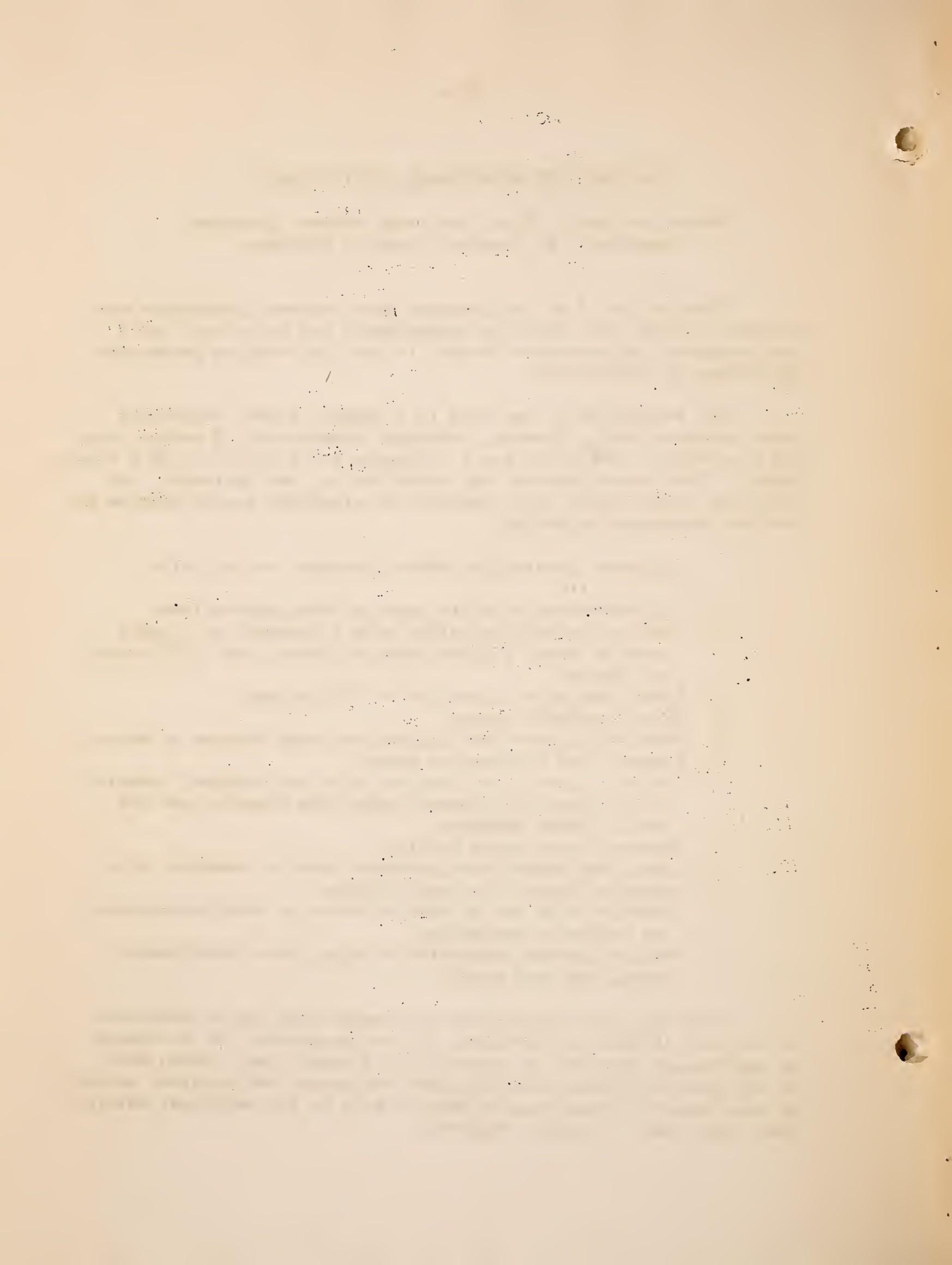
DISTRICT No. 7 OF THE COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT HAS EQUIPPED A TRUCK WITH CARRYING COMPARTMENTS FOR MATERIALS, TOOLS AND APPLIANCES WHICH APPEAR TO MAKE IT THE LAST WORD IN USEFULNESS AND WORTHY OF DESCRIPTION.

THE FOUNDATION OF THE UNIT IS A FAGEOL, 5-TON, HEAVY-DUTY TRUCK EQUIPPED WITH A 7-SPEED, COMPOUND TRANSMISSION, 5 SPEEDS AHEAD AND 2 REVERSE. THE MOTOR HAS 4 CYLINDERS AND A RATING OF 32.4 HORSE-POWER. THIS MOTOR SUPPLIES THE POWER FOR ALL THE EQUIPMENT, THE AUXILIARY POWER SHAFTS BEING OPERATED AT DIFFERENT SPEEDS THROUGH THE COMPOUND TRANSMISSION SPEEDS.

EQUIPMENT CARRIED AND POWER FURNISHED BY THE UNIT.

1. AIR COMPRESSOR WITH AIR TANK AND HOSE CONNECTIONS.
2. COMBINATION MATERIAL BINS, WITH A CAPACITY OF 1 CUBIC YARD OF SAND, 2 CUBIC YARDS OF GRAVEL AND 1,000 POUNDS OF CEMENT.
3. WATER TANK WITH A CAPACITY OF 150 GALLONS.
4. ROTARY CONCRETE MIXER.
5. CENTRIFUGAL PUMP FOR FILLING TANK FROM STREAMS OR WELLS.
6. POWER-DRIVEN NIGGER-HEAD WINCH
7. TAR AND ROAD-OIL HEATING TANK WITH GAS BURNERS; CAPACITY 150 GALLONS WITH SYPHON NOZZLE FOR SPRAYING HOT TAR OR OIL UNDER PRESSURE.
8. COMPLETE PAINT SPRAY OUTFIT.
9. LARGE JACK HAMMER WITH ASSORTED CHISELS, TAMPERS, ETC.
10. PNEUMATIC ROTARY POST-HOLE DIGGER.
11. EXTENSION SIDE ARM OR BOOM ON FRONT OF TRUCK FOR GRADING OR SMOOTHING SHOULDERS.
12. SMALL EQUIPMENT CONSISTING OF PLOW, DRAG, WHEELBARROW, ROPE, AND HAND TOOLS.

WITH THIS UNIT THE MILEAGE OF HIGHWAY THAT CAN BE PATROLLED BY ONE CREW IS GREATLY INCREASED, AND ANY REASONABLE JOB OF REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE WORK MAY BE COMPLETED IN A SHORT TIME. DOING MUCH OF THE WORK BY POWER-DRIVEN MACHINERY AND HAVING THE REQUIRED MATERIAL AT HAND ENABLES A MUCH SMALLER CREW TO KEEP UP THE NECESSARY MAINTENANCE WORK THAN IS USUALLY REQUIRED.



FOLLOWING ARE A FEW OF THE CLASSES OF WORK THAT CAN BE PERFORMED WITH THE MAINTENANCE UNIT ON THE JOB.

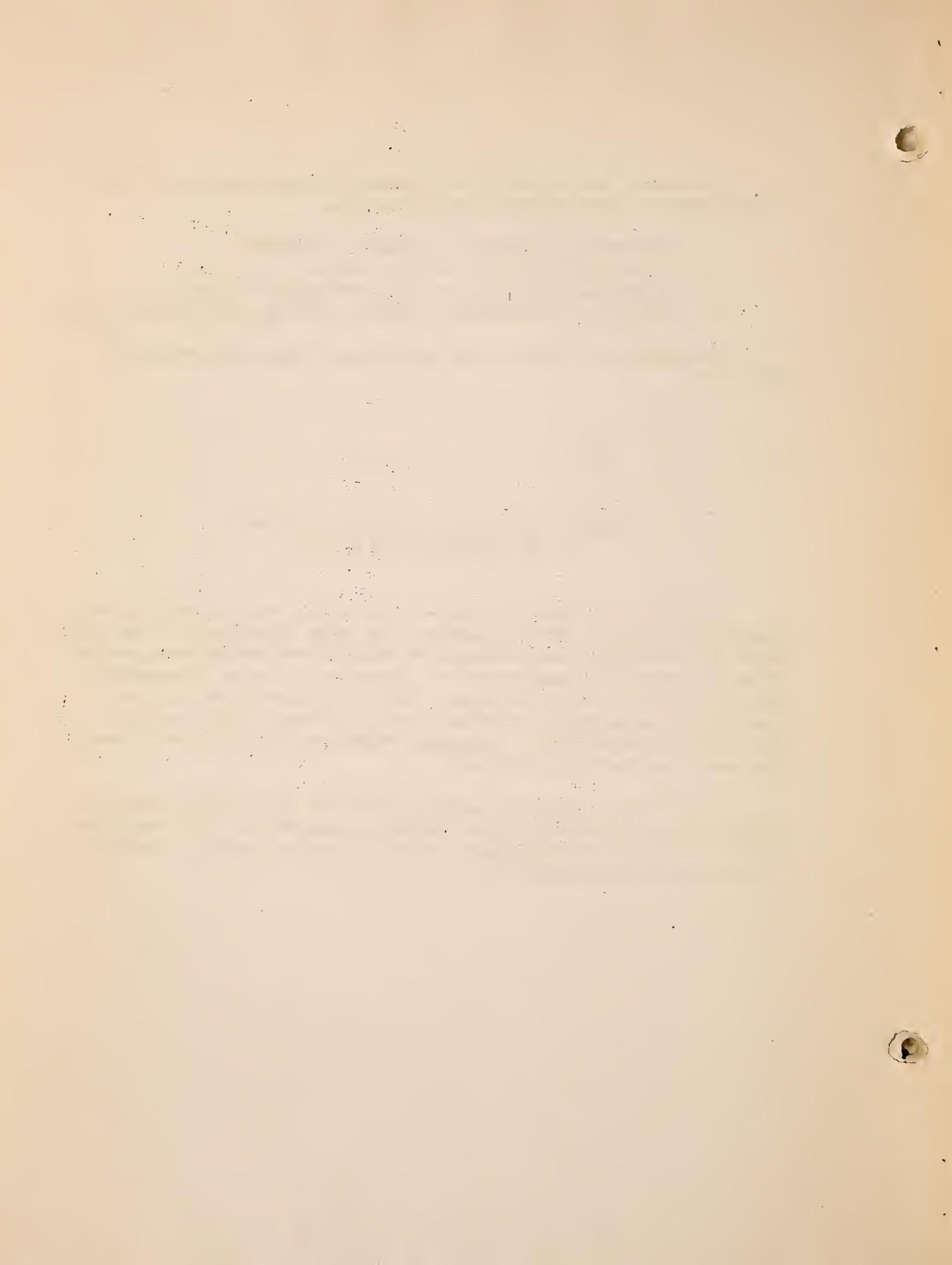
1. REPAIRING OF CRACKS OR BREAKS IN PAVEMENT.
2. ERECTING FENCES AND TRAFFIC SIGNS.
3. REPAIRING AND PAINTING STEEL OR WOODEN BRIDGES.
4. GRADING OR SHOULDERING, ROLLING AND DRAINING RIGHT OF WAY.

PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS OF THE MAINTENANCE TRUCK FOLLOW ON THE NEXT PAGE.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON MEETINGS TO BE HELD
IN THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICE

A SERIES OF SATURDAY AFTERNOON MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE WASHINGTON OFFICE AT WHICH TALKS WILL BE MADE BY MEMBERS OF THE STAFF. THESE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED TO PROVIDE THE ENGINEERING, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL WORKERS OF THE BUREAU WITH A MORE COMPREHENSIVE UNDERSTANDING OF OUR ACTIVITIES. THE FIRST MEETING WAS CALLED TOGETHER ON JANUARY 23, AT WHICH TIME, MR. BISHOP, CHIEF OF THE DIVISION OF CONSTRUCTION, DISCUSSED "METHODS OF EVALUATING CONCRETE PAVEMENT FROM CORE DRILL DATA."

TALKS WHICH HAVE BEEN ARRANGED FOR THE NEAR FUTURE INCLUDE: "UNITED STATES HIGHWAYS" BY MR. JAMES ON JANUARY 30; "NATIONAL PARK ROADS" BY DR. HEWES ON FEBRUARY 6; AND "CONCRETE PAVEMENT DESIGN" BY MR. TELLER ON FEBRUARY 20.





A MAINTENANCE TRUCK USED BY THE COLORADO STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
CARRIES MATERIAL BINS AND A CONCRETE MIXER



THIS TRUCK IS EQUIPPED WITH AN AIR COMPRESSOR. THE BODY WILL
HOLD A PLOW AND SMALL SCRAPER. THERE IS
A TOOL BOX UNDER THE MATERIAL BINS



NEW BUREAU EXHIBIT MATERIAL

ELEVEN FLEXIBLE EXHIBIT BOOTHS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED RECENTLY BY THE BUREAU. THESE WERE DISPLAYED FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THE AMERICAN ROAD BUILDERS'S ASSOCIATION CONVENTION HELD IN THE COLISEUM IN CHICAGO FROM JANUARY 11 TO 15, 1926.

THE SUBJECT MATTER IS PRESENTED IN AN ATTRACTIVE PICTORIAL FORM AS WELL AS BY LETTERING, STATISTICS AND GRAPHIC CHARTS. THE SUBJECTS TREATED ARE OF THREE GENERAL CLASSES: THOSE OF INTEREST TO (1) THE GENERAL PUBLIC; (2) A TECHNICAL AUDIENCE; AND (3) BOTH THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND A TECHNICAL AUDIENCE.

A SINGLE BOOTH CONSISTS OF THREE PANELS, EACH 5 FEET 6 INCHES LONG BY 4 FEET 10 INCHES HIGH AND MOUNTED ON FOLDING IRON PIPE LEGS SO THAT THE TOP OF THE PANELS IS 7 FEET 3 INCHES ABOVE THE FLOOR. THE PANEL FRAMES AT THE GREATEST DIMENSION ARE 1-3/8 INCHES THICK. BURLAP CURTAINS SKIRT THE BASE OF THE PANELS AND A REMOVABLE WOODEN TITLE BAR IS FIXED IN DOWEL HOLES IN THE TOP OF THE CENTER PANEL.

THE BOOTHS ARE PACKED IN COMPLETE UNITS IN A WOODEN CRATE WITH A SHIPPING WEIGHT OF 296 POUNDS. THE CRATES ARE 5 FEET BY 6 FEET 6 INCHES BY 7 INCHES DEEP, OUTSIDE DIMENSIONS.

THE FLEXIBLE NATURE OF THE BOOTHS MAKES THEM ADAPTABLE TO ALMOST ANY SHAPE OF SPACE. THEY MAY BE DISPLAYED IN A STRAIGHT LINE AS A WALL CHART; IN A TRIANGULAR FORM AROUND THE SUPPORTING COLUMN OF A BUILDING; AND IN A TRAPEZOIDAL OR HOLLOW SQUARE SHAPE AS AN ORDINARY BOOTH.

THE BOOTHS ARE AVAILABLE FOR DISPLAY BEFORE ROAD CONVENTIONS, AGRICULTURAL AND AUTOMOBILE SHOWS, COLLEGES, ETC. APPLICATIONS FOR LOAN SHOULD BE MADE TO THE OFFICE OF EXHIBITS, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BY ALL OUTSIDE THE BUREAU. DISTRICT ENGINEERS OF THE BUREAU SHOULD TRANSMIT REQUESTS DIRECT TO OUR WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS OFFICE.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF SIX OF THE ELEVEN FLEXIBLE BOOTHS SHOWN AT CHICAGO APPEAR IN THIS NUMBER OF THE NEWS LETTER. THE OTHER FIVE WILL BE INCLUDED IN A SUBSEQUENT ISSUE.

the first time in the history of the world, that the
whole of the human race, in all its parts,
should be at once, and in the same moment,
subjected to the same affliction, and that
affliction should be such as to affect every
man, woman, and child, in every part of
the globe, and that it should be of such a
severity, as to be visible to the eye of man,
and to be known by the voice of God.
The world has been created, and has
been peopled, with a view to the happiness
of man; and it is the duty of man to
make use of his power, and of his
intelligence, to secure the happiness
of all the human race. But if he does
not do this, he will be guilty of a
great sin, and will be liable to the
wrath of God. And if he does do this,
he will be rewarded by God, and will
be happy for ever. And if he does
not do this, he will be punished by
God, and will be miserable for ever.

SUBGRADE SOILS

LOOK OUT FOR THE CLAY SOILS

The soils below the green line make good subgrades. The soils above the green line make poor or zero or doubtful subgrades.



Analyze your subgrade soils. Spot them on the chart. The black spot represents a soil composed of 56% Clay, 37% Silt, 7% Sand.

SUBGRADE SOILS SHOULD ALWAYS BE INVESTIGATED

A FIRM FOUNDATION IS THE MEASURE OF THE STABILITY OF ROAD SURFACING

'A WISE MAN BUILDETH HIS HOUSE UPON A ROCK'

Field methods for identifying good and bad subgrade soils by the use of simple equipment and survey bulletins of the U.S. Bureau of Soils have been developed by the Bureau of Public Roads. Write for copies of the magazine "Public Roads" containing a description of the methods.

Write the
Bureau of
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS**
STATUS OF FEDERAL AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

AS OF....DECEMBER 31, 1955

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STATES	APPORTIONMENT FROM JULY 1, 1956 TO DATE		1		2		3		4		5		6		
	ALLOCATED TO PROJECTS (SEE COLUMN 6 FOR DETAILS)		PLACED UNDER CONSTRUCTION		PAID TO STATES		BALANCE OF APPORTIONMENTS		NOT YET ALLOCATED TO PROJECTS (COLUMN 1-2-1)		NOT YET PLACED UNDER CONSTRUCTION (COLUMN 1-2)		ALLOTMENTS TO PROJECTS (SUBDIVISION OF AMOUNTS SHOWN IN COLUMN 2)		
	FEDERAL AID	MILES	FEDERAL AID	MILES	FEDERAL AID	MILES	FEDERAL AID	MILES	FEDERAL AID	MILES	FEDERAL AID	MILES	FEDERAL AID	MILES	
ALABAMA	\$ 14,349,455.00	\$ 10,801,543.31	1,459.3	\$ 10,359,1606.37	1,441.1	\$ 9,226,815.66	\$ 3,547,911.69	\$ 3,973,848.03	\$ 5,132,389.71	1,010.0	\$ 4,202,447.99	431.0	\$ 466,705.61	28.2	
ARKANSAS	9,617,349.00	5,424,356.62	813.6	6,060,570.67	786.9	3,084,424.58	5,589,578.50	9,192,927.89	1,19.4	9,175.9	2,755,221.17	350.3	615,953.89	115.9	
CALIFORNIA	22,072,815.00	17,624,615.24	1,323.6	17,531,190.13	1,306.9	14,528,437.33	4,641,624.87	11,630,652.29	942.2	5,435,151.51	2,053,559.22	192.1	758,348.49	56.3	
CONNECTICUT	12,325,812.00	9,040,441.35	950.5	8,765,229.01	926.9	3,285,370.65	3,539,580.95	5,560,222.13	688.9	2,068,800.80	1,673,840.62	115.0	530,235.48	25.4	
DELAWARE	2,474,058.00	2,106,520.35	152.6	2,097,520.35	142.1	1,847,333.72	367,537.56	1,708,725.60	119.4	4,370,095.60	1,405,487.74	10,6	9,000.00	10.6	
FLORIDA	2,064,954.00	1,684,043.26	405.7	5,382,486.26	385.6	1,400,310.74	1,702,671.74	95.3	4,370,095.60	1,631.3	4,878,035.68	655.5	925,528.59	130.0	
GEORGIA	18,431,953.00	16,500,865.88	2,420.8	15,951,865.77	2,334.3	14,156,255.90	2,450,089.23	10,631.3	1,931,087.02	10,631.3					
IDAHO	8,559,527.00	7,832,198.00	1,582.1	7,340,313.27	830.7	6,195,905.35	6,195,313.73	6,195,313.73	6,195,313.73	19,081,947.67	6,674,246.74	5,674,246.74	180.4	786,745.26	43.0
ILLINOIS	18,204,355.00	15,621,687.13	1,517.9	15,579,949.26	1,553.2	21,836,104.56	2,388,677.87	2,682,014.74	7,106,938.62	463.3	8,462,069.53	495.3	257,523.08	14.2	
INDIANA	13,498,563.00	15,466,931.54	2,544.4	14,952,227.64	2,504.9	13,506,611.42	4,028,531.46	4,633,356.36	11,427,889.06	2,033.4	3,781,704.63	575.4	247,388.46	35.6	
IOWA	19,464,411.00	16,350,778.85	1,634.8	16,673,882.68	1,529.3	14,056,921.30	3,073,631.16	3,730,528.34	11,266,814.02	1,037.4	4,091,771.14	428.3	1,031,951.63	12.5	
KANSAS	13,212,003.00	10,756,459.77	972.2	10,550,150.70	955.4	9,339,675.16	2,486,349.23	2,682,658.30	7,131,359.63	653.3	3,264,883.83	230.1	330,236.31	28.8	
KENTUCKY	1,464,428.00	7,416,057.43	1,139.4	7,327,932.07	1,136.6	6,704,068.69	1,866,350.57	2,034,415.93	5,631,182.90	992.6	1,608,997.38	130.6	116,571.15	16.2	
LOUISIANA	5,326,057.00	5,270,298.26	435.4	5,270,298.26	435.4	4,441,712.35	654,830.74	4,031,472.38	231.2	908,248.73	1,293,141.15	1,293,141.15	11,522.51	LOUISIANA	
MAINE	10,108,126.00	7,455,250.05	406.5	7,330,526.05	401.4	6,177,743.54	2,672,206.94	2,672,206.94	2,672,206.94	10,389,640.40	864.4	5,054,30.93	83.4	68,046.07	2.3
MARYLAND	20,342,356.00	15,738,986.37	1,177.7	15,530,216.80	1,165.2	14,213,013.56	4,603,378.63	4,812,148.20	10,389,640.40	864.4	5,054,30.93	83.4	364,900.04	27.0	
MASSACHUSETTS	19,591,780.00	17,473,916.56	3,516.5	17,380,015.66	3,640.5	16,561,950.74	2,211,753.44	2,211,753.44	15,028,616.55	3,118.42	2,167,800.00	493.8	568,200.00	43.2	
MICHIGAN	22,786,436.00	20,186,200.90	2,038.0	20,137,583.01	2,008.8	16,235,110.35	2,600,235.10	2,600,235.10	10,089,630.35	1,792.3	1,224,405.39	270.0	568,334.35	43.0	
MINNESOTA	12,128,018.00	10,429,559.32	1,429.2	9,920,629.07	1,365.6	8,617,406.28	2,207,388.33	5,814,361.32	933.4	3,867,349.28	390.1	747,358.72	135.7	22,700.00	2.3
MISSOURI	13,424,486.00	12,713,138.73	1,265.9	12,320,880.35	1,165.8	6,644,350.30	5,714,745.27	6,292,064.64	5,619,470.25	983.8	1,224,405.39	701.7	568,334.35	43.0	
MONTANA	14,635,235.00	10,633,394.00	2,811.2	10,426,631.45	2,761.3	8,116,843.65	3,941,841.49	4,206,643.65	5,126,313.75	1,590.9	5,931,156.10	1,073.7	215,321.35	41.6	
NEBRASKA	8,795,215.00	7,745,621.51	850.3	7,711,805.96	860.2	7,653,154.61	2,349,450.05	511,317.83	6,161,337.39	2,250,777.07	459.3	3,644,692.58	396.5	25,190.74	2.1
NEVADA	5,163,935.00	2,668,441.77	2,265.7	2,653,226.20	2,165.2	2,081,514.05	5,154,435.70	5,154,435.70	2,256,887.10	1,496,514.36	2,256,887.10	1,496,514.36	350,937.56	35.3	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	8,457,420.00	7,481,739.17	310.6	6,149,439.85	995,980.83	4,771,317.17	2,750,751.17	9,158,414.36	4,195,216.45	248.5	3,135,720.72	58.5	30,000.00	3.6	
NEW JERSEY	10,312,386.00	8,222,012.83	1,522.6	8,175,254.93	1,521.2	7,470,931.78	13,763,768.33	6,938,224.36	7,085,610.37	1,383.0	902,835.66	128.6	233,565.80	21.0	
NEW MEXICO	34,045,135.00	21,106,970.64	1,777.3	24,876,750.64	1,628.2	2,750,751.17	9,158,414.36	14,972,156.69	1,000.3	11,416,514.05	729.1	718,200.00	47.3		
NEW YORK	15,717,206.00	14,002,068.01	1,424.4	13,404,814.44	1,383.4	12,329,753.32	1,715,137.39	2,312,391.56	5,522,298.84	2,074.9	3,304,843.09	201.4	689,238.50	36.1	
NORTH CAROLINA	10,748,533.00	9,569,403.26	1,022.9	9,554,403.26	1,014.1	8,740,521.61	1,319,943.74	1,354,343.74	4,026,933.49	1,301.9	3,136,169.72	301.3	426,688.86	36.3	
NORTH DAKOTA	25,731,365.00	21,228,963.94	2,621.8	20,567,153.30	1,621.4	18,544,282.22	4,500,162.20	5,164,826.16	15,256,887.10	1,216.4	4,117,482.68	431.0	681,511.61	166.0	
OKLAHOMA	15,059,737.00	14,166,718.39	1,277.6	13,937,971.64	1,267.5	12,673,308.08	1,694,064.51	2,121,815.46	10,500,330.81	933.4	1,535,174.59	139.9	1,535,174.59	131.1	
PENNSYLVANIA	31,338,751.00	27,633,631.90	1,618.5	27,255,808.83	1,592.8	24,608,130.20	3,639,450.10	4,082,972.11	17,541,763.42	931.0	9,632,337.56	661.4	405,230.93	25.9	
RHODE ISLAND	2,567,669.00	1,991,816.35	115.2	1,928,660.35	111.0	1,371,223.50	675,753.65	739,898.65	1,274,676.72	70.8	513,498.63	31.2	137,720.00	13.2	
SOUTH CAROLINA	9,801,520.00	8,808,411.17	1,250.2	8,584,638.54	1,715.3	7,535,829.04	832,985.46	1,437,871.34	5,633,982.79	1,294.5	2,895,616.95	331.2	679,543.80	90.1	
SOUTH DAKOTA	11,166,750.00	9,884,117.13	2,500.2	9,884,117.13	2,500.2	8,814,838.01	1,282,672.87	1,282,672.87	1,694.6	2,889,691.37	881.4			56,912.44	
UTAH	7,618,779.00	6,316,768.82	731.4	6,127,398.22	685.5	5,489,835.33	1,602,910.18	1,602,910.18	1,690,780.78	3,918,717.26	423.0	1,177,700.03	247.3		
VERMONT	3,268,607.00	2,435,113.97	157.5	2,009,108.78	10,607,774.96	1,341,943.74	2,374,526.79	2,627,865.73	8,133,717.80	604.0	4,293,30.00	313.8	493,165.41	44.1	
VIRGINIA	13,501,511.00	12,305,934.21	1,123.9	11,244,143.26	1,067.0	1,319,210.66	1,319,943.74	1,354,343.74	7,939,707.93	863.9	1,630,605.49	436.9	2,233,268.84	161.5	
WASHINGTON	10,145,776.00	8,619,773.78	691.5	8,357,723.78	690.3	7,714,837.82	1,527,002.22	1,527,002.22	1,547.2	1,745,373.76	1,217,700.03	247.3	250,351.53	25.1	
WEST VIRGINIA	7,352,511.00	6,440,056.26	565.1	5,141,141.22	525.1	5,064,062.08	912,454.24	1,211,369.79	3,353,307.22	339.6	2,921,730.79	196.9	164,938.76	17.4	
WISCONSIN	11,438,415.00	12,286,805.05	1,793												

